

Senator Pauline Anderson

Pauline Anderson (nee Welsh) is the sixth of fifteen children born to Joseph and Marian Welsh of Lebret Saskatchewan.

The Welsh family was one of the first group of Metis families to start and develop the Metis farm in Lebret where Pauline was raised and attended a Catholic School in Lebret.

In 1948 the family moved to the road allowances on the south side of the Qu'appelle Valley where there was already an established community of Metis families.

Pauline married Jack Anderson in 1956 and they moved to Regina where they raised their four daughters: Debbie, Wendy, Sandra and Leslie. Pauline and Jack are now grandparents of six and great grandparents of two.

For the past thirty years Pauline has been actively involved in the Metis community of Regina and just recently her involvement has expanded to provincial issues. She has served on the Boards of Regina Native Women, the Regina Friendship Center, Regina Riel Local, Gabriel Housing, Riel House and more recently the Aboriginal Initiative Health Board. In 1994 she received an award from Women of the Dawn for her community service.

As well as volunteering with the above mentioned agencies, Pauline has assisted many individuals in their day to day lives; single parents, inmates, food bank deliveries, homeless youth and many others.

In 2001 Pauline was appointed Senator for Western Region III of the Metis Nation- Saskatchewan in honor of her service to the Metis people. She is looking forward to advancing the interests of the Metis of Saskatchewan during her tenure as Senator.