

# One of Life's Fighters

Marguerita Moorcroft is one of life's fighters. She contracted poliomyelitis when she was three years of age and this has had a profound effect on her life. Ill health and a disruptive childhood severely affected her education, forcing her to take employment as a Tweeny (kitchen and house-maid).

Some time after wartime service with the WAAF, she entered into articles, overcoming the prevalent prejudices against professional women and also her continuing ill health, to become one of the first women Examiners in the Official Receivers' Service. Despite bouts of ill health that would continue throughout her life, she became the first woman Senior Examiner and retired in 1987, as an Assistant Official Receiver.

Now suffering from the late effects of polio, osteo-arthritis has also developed in her back and legs leading to difficulties with mobility, which has incurred additional costs, depleting her pension and capital.

It became impossible for Marguerita to use the bath and the Local Authority would not provide extensive modifications to her home. Without help from CABA, her life-long struggle to remain independent would end. With CABA's help, she now has a walk-in shower and maintains her independence, in her own home.



**"I appreciate enormously the kindness shown to me by CABA following the application for assistance".**