

Bunny & Ross Harvey

AUGUST 17, 2015



“Grief only exists where love first lived” ~

Francesca Cox

HARVEY, Daphne Jean “Bunny”

June 21, 1937 - August 17, 2015

Bunny passed away peacefully and unexpectedly in her sleep at the Bethany Care Centre, shortly after visiting her ailing husband and her children at the family farm.

She is survived by the love of her life, her devoted and loyal husband, Ross; her children, David Harvey, Patty Harvey (Brant), Jackie Kessler (Charlie), Andy Harvey; grandchildren, Cassidy Noble (Lee), Brittany Kessler, Amy Harvey, Coy Butterfield, Breanna Harvey, Katie Harvey; great granddaughter, Mila Noble; and sister, Pat Corry. Bunny is predeceased by her parents, Peggy and Jack McKeown.

Bunny was spirited, spontaneous, mischievous and proudly Irish. Rules were meant to be broken, windows were escape routes and trips were most enjoyable when taken impulsively. She was fascinating, incredibly intelligent and beautiful. As a young woman, she was crowned Miss Teen Red Deer and first runner up for Miss Western Canada. She was simply wonderful. Every person she met, she captivated. You only needed to meet Bunny once and you would never, ever forget her. She had the most wonderful sense of humor! She had many struggles but she also had a very strong faith that brought her through anything. She was infinitely proud of her profession as a nurse, proclaiming “I’m an RN” to her children just hours

before her passing. Cass, Britt, Amy, Coy, Breanna, Katie and Mila were constantly amused by their “Namma”. They honestly loved her every quirk and flaw. She was perfect in their eyes and they adored her.

We all knew her heart of gold. She was beautifully imperfect and had a wonderful soul. We will miss her profoundly. At Bunny’s request, no Service will be held. In lieu of flowers, donations in Bunny’s memory may be made to the Red Deer Hospice, 99 Arnot Avenue, Red Deer, AB, T4R 3S6.

HARVEY, Walter “Ross”

April 4, 1936 - August 20, 2015

Our beloved “Pakka” passed away peacefully, at his Poplar Ridge home, on August 20, 2015 surrounded by love and family. Dad leaves behind a strong legacy of love, a passion for nature and kindness. He was truly a gentle man. Dad raised a family that reflects his strong work ethic, passion and love for animals, nature and all living things: except squirrels, he hated them. Dad was eternally kind, gentle, soothing and raised his family, never too strict, never too lenient. His family not only included his four children, but nieces, nephews, grandchildren and all of our farm loving friends. Through 55 years of marriage, raising a family, running a farm, Dad stood steadfast in his vows to his dear Bunny, to love, honor and cherish, till death parted them. Dad “Pakka” leaves to cherish his memory his four loving children, David Harvey, Patty Harvey (Brant), Jackie Kessler (Charlie), Andy Harvey, five grandchildren, Cassidy Noble (Lee), Brittany Kessler, Amy Harvey, Brenna Harvey and Katie Harvey, great grandchild Mila Noble and two sisters Margaret Whyte and Joan Johnstone, many cherished nieces and nephews. Ross was predeceased by his parents, Fred and Daisy and his loving wife Bunny.

Messages of Condolence

I am deeply sorry for your double loss, I knew Bunny from our "training days". This is especially for Andy, he will know why. Please accept my condolences.

— **Betty Golosky**

To the Ross Harvey family. We (the Twacks) have so many wonderful memories of the Harvey families. We have been very fortunate to cross paths through the years. Our sincere sympathy. Helen and Jack

— **Helen & Jack Brooks**

My condolences to your family in the loss of your Dad and Mother. I nursed with Bunny on the Obstetric ward at the Red Deer Hospital. We enjoyed our shift work and had many a laugh while bottle feeding babies at night in the nursery and rushing about with women in the delivery theatre. She and I were nursing friends and then the couples were friends as we both lived on 43 Street. Bev and Faye Hughes

— **Faye Hughes**

I am deeply sorry about the loss of both, Bunny and Ross. I have fond memories of looking after Bunny's beloved pets and the time spent in the barn and the coral dealing with some of Ross's pets, his cows, bulls and heifers. It was truly a privilege to have known Bunny and Ross.

Sincerely

Rene Weber

— **Rene Weber, formerly Central Animal Clinic**

Dear Patty and family,

The Mah family at Wei's want to send you our sincere condolences on the loss of both your parents. Many hugs to you and our deep sympathies. There is no right time at any age to lose a loved one. But it is the journey of life we need to accept. Their love for you will continue to live with you and your family. God Bless.

— **Marilyn Mah**

Dave,

So sorry to see your mom and dad both passed away within a few short days of each other. We're sure you're especially glad now you retired when you did and were able to spend more time with them. We hope your family and friends can give you comfort in your loss. From reading about your mom and dad we think you must have very happy and fond memories. May those memories also help you through the days ahead. Our thoughts are with you.

Glen and Rhonda

— **Glen and Rhonda Thomlison**

Sorry to hear the passing of bunny and Ross they were a great couple my condolences go to all of you. Jack blakely &family

— **Jack blakely**

Ross, Patty, Jackie, Andy & Family: I just wanted to send my condolences to your family on the recent loss of your mom and your dad. I can only imagine the grief you are feeling during this difficult time. May your memories of a wonderful life together sustain you. With sympathy.

— **Jana Martin-Erichson**

We are so very sorry to hear about the passing of Bunny & Ross Harvey. Please accept our deepest condolences.

— **Jim, Evelyn & Harry Warren**

To the Harvey family, so sorry to hear of your parents passing. I had such fond memories on the farm growing up with Andy. Ross and Bunny were were a big hearted couple and will be dearly missed. My sincere condolences to you all.

Paul Cousins (Paul,Paul)

— **Paul Cousins**

Dear Jackie and family, my condolences to you and your family. I know you had many fond memories of your parents as we shared many cute stories as we worked our shifts together. May these memories be of great comfort as you grieve the loss of your parents.

— **Annette Wyntjes**

To the Harvey family, so sorry to hear of your loss of both parents, my thoughts go out to you at this sad time....sending prayers.

— **Ann Cousins**

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families. I've been thinking of the "good old days " and all the fond memories I have of life at the HARVEY farm . There are many! You're parents were very special people and I'm so sorry for your loss. Here is a poem that I wanted to share with you. It seems to help in times of loss.

I'm Free

Don't grieve for us, for now we're free.
We're following the path God has laid you see.
We took His hand when we heard His call.
We turned our backs and left it all.
We could. It stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work , or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way.
We found the peace at the close of day.
If our parting has left a void.
Then fill it now with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
O yes, these things we too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow.
We wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
Our lives have been full, we savored much.
Good friends, good times, a loved ones touch.
Perhaps our time seemed all to brief.
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts, and peace to the.
God wanted us now , he set us free.

Author unknown

— **Joanie Schwartz**



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