Adriana Johanna Jefferies



FEBRUARY 29, 2012

JEFFERIES

Adriana Johanna (Nancy) Jefferies nee (Klys) of Carstairs passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family on February 29, 2012 at the age of 86 years after a courageous battle with cancer. She is loving remembered by her son's Gwyn (Shari) of Cochrane, Gary (Leslie) of Olds, Rick (Jacquie and family) of Red Cliff and daughter Judy (Gary) Plested of Red Deer, 7 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren, 1 sister Ann Marsh of Carstairs, 1 brother in law Gerry Dixon of Vulcan and numerous extended family and friends. Nancy was predeceased by her husband Jack, sister Deanna Dixon, brother John Klys (Shirley) , her parents and numerous aunts and uncles.

Born in Etten en Leur, Holland on March 20, 1925 to Casey and Cornelia Klys, Adriana immigrated to Canada in 1928 and was told by the immigration office that her name would be Nancy. Moving from Strathmore to Carstairs, with her parents to farm, she attended school in the Jackson school district, west of Carstairs. She married Jack Jefferies in 1948 and farmed for 50 years. Her garden was extraordinary, containing both vegetables, fruit and flowers. Following the passing of Jack in 1995 she stayed on the farm for 3 years before moving to her condo in the Villas at Parkview Estates.

Nancy was active in the United Church Women's group for over 50 years., many of them as the treasurer which prepared her for treasurer of the condo association. She loved playing cards, doing crossword and jigsaw puzzles, quilting, cross stitching and entertaining family and friends, baking for all to enjoy. She was a dear soul, a person you wanted to associate with.

A Memorial Service will be held at Carstairs United Church on Saturday, March 10, 2012 at 2 pm.

In lieu of flowers a memorial donation may be made to the Didsbury Palliative Care Unit, PO Bag 130, Didsbury, Alberta T0M 0W0; The Tom Baker Cancer Centre, c/o Alberta Cancer Foundation, 1331 – 29 Street NW, Calgary, Alberta T2N 4N2 or a charity of one's choice.

Messages of condolences may be left for the family at www.myalternatives.ca.

Messages of Condolence

We have lost a beautiful soul! Nancy's wholesome zest for life always inspired and challenged.

She left her world a better place.

Bill and Joyce Steckly

— Bill and Joyce Steckly

Your mom was a dear lady who gave so much to others all the time. I got to know Nancy better in the last few years when I started playing bridge with the ladies that she played with. Of course I always knew her from the church as well. After Nancy had passed away the first bridge night was at my house and we had a few moments of silence in her memory . We reminisced about how she always had such good cards, especially the aces! That night she was sitting on my shoulder as the first hand was dealt, I had 26 points and made a small slam with my partner. Thanks Nancy!
I know you will have many beautiful memories of your mom as she was a beautiful lady. Daphne

— Daphne and Jim Walroth
