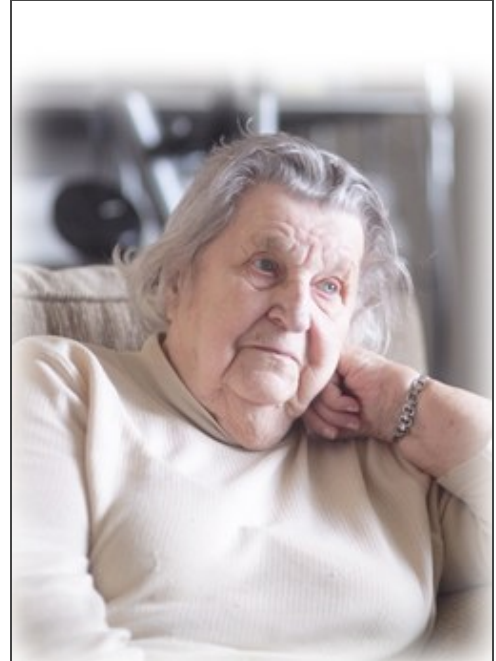


Eeva-Liisa Lucas (nee Matilainen)

OCTOBER 31, 2019

LUCAS, Eeva-Liisa

Eeva-Liisa Lucas (nee Matilainen) was born July 24, 1931 in Kuopio, Finland and after a short battle with cancer passed away peacefully on the family farm surrounded by her family on October 31, 2019.



Eeva-Liisa is lovingly remembered by Hans her husband, of 63 years; sister, Hilikka Matilainen of Kuopio; sons, Pekka (Loretta), Mark, and Francis all of Carstairs; grandchildren Nathan, Justyn (Kayla), Steven, Phillip (Sara), Rebecca (Randal), Tyler (Justine), Michael (Jannay), Melissa (Tyler), and Derrek (Jessica); as well as six great grandchildren.

Mom married her pen pal friend and love of her life on January 20, 1956 after immigrating to the Netherlands.

In 1963 Mom and Dad packed up all their possessions into 2 wooden crates, grabbed their children and immigrated to Canada. Mom had always had a love for farming and in 1973 Mom and Dad bought a small farm east of Carstairs where she could now enjoy raising cows, pigs, chickens, sheep and of course her children. After a local farmer called Mom seeking advice on some livestock issues she joyfully exclaimed "NOW we are farmers!!" and felt truly accepted by the local community.

Mom enjoyed large family gatherings and her love and skill of cooking turned those gatherings she hosted into exquisite feasts.

Moms' wishes were for no formal service and a small private family gathering will be held to spread her ashes.

Please join us for a Come and Go Celebration of Life at the Carstairs Half Century Club (1139 Osler St., Carstairs) on November 15, 2019 from 2:00 to 5:00 pm for a time of remembering, reminiscing, and sharing stories.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Inter Pares (her favorite charity), 221 Laurier Avenue E. Ottawa, ON K1N 6P1.

Messages of Condolence

I am so sorry to hear of your Mom, grandma's passing. She was a beautiful lady. She included Anna when she went to the farm with Melissa. All my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Hugs.

— **Tracy Lowe**



<https://www.myalternatives.ca/obituaries/lucas-nee-matilainen-eeva-liisa>

Printed on June 3, 2026