

Hazel Helen Matheson

DECEMBER 5, 2020

It is with deep sadness that we announce the loss of our mother, sister, great-grandmother, and friend. Hazel Helen Matheson passed away peacefully on December 5, 2020 at the age of 83.



Hazel was predeceased by her husband Don Matheson and parents Leona and Charles Deets. Hazel was from a family of nine children whom were her sisters Rita, Dorothy, Opal, Edna and Ada; and her brothers Harold, Aaron and Elmer.

Left to cherish her memory are her three sons Dave, Darryl and Bryan; grandchildren Pam (Jason) Turner, Jason (Jennifer) Matheson, Julie (Ian) Goeres, Bella Matheson and Justin Matheson; five great-grandchildren; as well as her brother Harold Gordon and her sister Dorothy Grace.

Hazel will be remembered for her utmost strength and independence, greatly demonstrated following the loss of her soulmate (Don) at a very young age.

Family meant everything to Hazel. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren brought great joy to her life and always held a special place in her heart, as she did

in theirs. Hazel loved watching curling or hosting family suppers which were often followed by a game of cribbage or thirty-one, in which she was hard to beat. Hazel will always be remembered for her warm smile, welcoming heart and constant concern for others. Although we will greatly miss her, we will forever cherish the memories created, the daily phone calls with family and friends near and far and the love that she has brought to our lives.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions a Celebration of Life will be planned and held in the new year of 2021.

Messages of Condolence

Hazel was a special Aunt and also a second mother very caring and always made me welcome when I required a second home. We have many fond memories of camping fishing boating and playing cards. We will forever remember her hardy healthy laugh. Hazel will always be remembered.

— **Marjorie and Bob Yung**

I cherish our weekly conversations on the phone and many laughs! Mom (Ada) and Hazel spent hours discussing curling and both loved to play cards prior to Mom's passing. I always appreciated Aunty Hazel's independent attitude and loved her straight forward honesty! I will miss our calls and many laughs! Love always, Deb, Dakota and Robert

— **Deb deCaux**

Auntie Hazel was a great lady. I didn't really get to know her until later years when I was grown up. In those early days, trips from Carrot River to Regina were seldom made. I recall trips that Auntie Hazel and Mom were part of to Las Vegas, San Francisco and Reno. Lots of laughs and good times were had whenever you got a couple of those Deets gals together.

You will be missed. Take care Auntie Hazel. ☐ ☐

— Joan and Art

I have fond memories of all the late night card games we enjoyed over the years from Tobin Lake, Carrot River, Tugaskie Sask. or Langley and Abbotsford BC. My brothers and me always enjoyed when our great aunt Hazel came to visit as fun and laughter were always sure to follow when she and our Grandmother Dorothy and great aunt Ada came to visit. As a teen I spent a summer in Saskatchewan and enjoyed my stay in Regina with Hazel and the boys. I remember driving on bikes down Albert Street to Downtown Regina with David to watch E.T. at the cinema and hang out at the arcade. Hazel made me feel so welcome in her home and I recall a very late card game hosted by Hazel where myself and my Dad's parents Walter and Alice were also welcomed into her home. I will miss my great aunt deeply and her laugh and smile. Also my partner Ron and I stayed 2 days in Regina a few years ago and Hazel invited him into her home as if she had known him for years. Good bye Hazel. We will miss you. In deepest condolences, Kevin and Ron.

— Kevin Yung

I already miss our weekly phone calls. We enjoyed visiting Hazel whenever we traveled to SK. Loved her sense of humor. The world is a little sadder without this loving and generous lady. Forever missed by her niece Iris

— Iris and Rafael Cruz

Hazel was a great lady. Always up for a game of cards and a few drinks to make it an even better card game. Family meant a lot to Hazel. I will always cherish the times I spent with her.

— **Brenda Kulach**

Hazel will be missed, Gordon and her used to call back and forth and catch up on things. I remember a few times she came to our place when we first moved to Calgary... she and some of her sisters. Always had lots of laughs. Things change when the Aunts and Uncles pass on.... Hazel you will be missed

— **Gordon Deets**

Hazel had a huge heart, so sweet and kind, she loved her grandchildren so much. Sending positive thoughts to the family.

— **Cristina Chyzowski**

I love you grandma, more than you will ever know. You were an amazing, strong, independent lady that always put your family first. There's a million memories that I will always remember and cherish. From the games of 31, to watching the Blue Jays play, from Apple pies, to getting whooped at crib. The Chinese food, and the games shows. From how occasionally you would call me Darryl or Dave and how secretly it made me smile inside, because to me, it meant that you saw me as a son and not a little boy that would eat the whole pie. I miss you dearly grandma. I will forever love you. May you forever rest in peace.

— **Jason Matheson**

Dearest Bryan, Darryl and Dave and family...

My sincerest condolences with the loss of your mother. I have such fond memories of your mom....she always made me feel welcome when I'd pop by for a visit, she never hesitated to ask me to stay for supper, and if I accepted I knew I was in for an evening of cards and games!!

Cherish the memories, as those stay with you forever....

Hugs, love and prayers

Wendy (Winters) Olson

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As the phone just rang and rang, I knew something was wrong. A look at the obits for Regina was a sting to my heart. Hazel was my daughter's second mother and the only daughter Hazel had with those three boys. We spent years next door to Hazel in Regina. We all loved you, Hazel! When we moved to Texas in 1973 it was tough but Hazel remained one of the most wonderful people we knew. When we visited Saskatchewan - Hazel was definitely in for a visit. Yearly phone calls to catch up were special. Then no answer! Rest in Peace wonderful friend! Darryl, Brian, and David we know you will miss her!

— Liz Colwell McCormack



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