

# Nelle Penny

OCTOBER 5, 2019

Nelle Penny passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, October 5, 2019 surrounded by her loving family, familiar belongings, and happy memories. Nelle was predeceased by her husband, Gil Penny, in 2003. She is survived by their three children Gilda (Roger) Pilon, Saskatoon; Murray (Lynda) Penny, Regina; and Mark (Cindy) Penny, Regina. Also surviving are her beloved grandchildren Alexa (Justin)



Haynes-Pilon; Melody (Jared Davidson) Penny, Tyson and Ryker; Alannah (Gareth Harding-Russell) Penny; Tyler (Alexandra Duczek) Penny; Brett (Frances Kurtenbach) Penny; and Lynda's children and grandchildren, Katie (Brady) Bloor and June, Alex, Cooper and Zoey; Tom (Lindsay Cameron) Frasz; Abbie (Ryan Unruh) Frasz and Violet. Nelle loved animals of all sorts and was much beloved by all of the family "fur babies".

Nelle was born in the Highland district near Kipling, SK on December 20, 1926 to Halvor and Rose (Klein) Knutson. Nelle was predeceased by her parents, as well as by her siblings Tulley Knutson, Tillie (Alec) Dick, Ole (Evelyn) Knutson, Enga Knutson, and Clare (Bob) McKee. She is survived by her sister Donna (John) Jager. Nelle also was predeceased by her parents-in-law, Richard and Marion (Morrison) Penny, and her brothers and sisters-in-law, Allan and Jean Penny, and Doug and Ellen Penny. Nelle enjoyed staying in touch with members of her extended family, and looked forward to visits and phone calls from her special nieces and nephews.

Throughout her life, Nelle was an energetic and hard-working person who enjoyed people and made lasting friendships. She spent time working for the Co-ops in Kipling and Abernethy before marrying Gil Penny on October 27, 1951 and dedicating herself to being a farmer, a parent, and an active member of the community. Nelle was a renowned cook and prizewinning baker; no visitor ever left her house hungry! She was an active volunteer for many years with the Abernethy Agricultural Society, Abernethy Dinner Theatre, Meals on Wheels, Home Care, Knox United Church, and innumerable other causes. She was highly involved in supporting her children's and grandchildren's sporting, dramatic and musical pursuits. Nelle was a longtime correspondent for the Melville Advance and the Fort Times-Exchange, and took her love of telling peoples' stories to her Regina home, where she contributed to the monthly Wintergreene Buzz. Nelle also was a proud lifetime member of Weight Watchers, and was a group leader for several years.

Celebration of Life to honour Nelle will be held at Knox United Church, Abernethy, SK on Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Brian Mee officiating. Interment will follow in Abernethy Cemetery. Funeral arrangements in care of Alternatives Funeral & Cremation Services, Regina, SK. Donations in Nelle's memory may be made to Teddy Bears Anonymous ([www.teddybearsanonymous.ca](http://www.teddybearsanonymous.ca)) or the charity of your choice.

## Messages of Condolence

Murray, Lynda and family, I was very sorry to hear of your mother's passing. It has been a tough month for you all. I just wanted to let you know I am thinking about you and wanted to express my deepest sympathy to you all.

— **Joan Heal**

Please accept our very sincere condolences to the Penny family. Our thoughts are with you all.

— **Fred & Beth Urquhart**

Mark and Cindy and family and Murray Penny and family . So sorry to hear about the loss of your mother and grandmother . Our Thoughts and prayers are with you all. Cherish the memories. Rob and Shannon

— **Shannon and Rob Davies**

Mark Cindy and family..so very sorry for your loss!  
Condolences Prayers and Thoughts for  
An ambitious lady !

— **Charmaine and Terry Hemingson**

Am very sorry to hear of your loss! Sending my condolences to all the Penny family

— **Karin Toffelmire**

Our heartfelt condolences to Murray, Lynda and all the family, at this difficult time of loss. So sorry for your loss.

— **Gloria Koch and Tim Depko**

Gilda, Murray, Mark & families - our sincere condolences on the passing of your Mom. Cousin Nelle was a stalwart member of the Penny clan - we admired her community spirit - it was a life well lived. Blessings... Jack & Jackie Penny

— **Jack & Jackie Penny**

Remembering a fine community citizen who was so proud of all her family's endeavours! So glad to have had several great conversations with Nelle this past summer. Our sincere condolences to all of Nelle's family, friends, and neighbours. Her legacy will live on among us!

— **Catherine Barnsley & Rick McCorrister**

Words cannot express my sorrow. My deepest sympathy for your loss.

— **Edna Dewar**

So sad to hear your mom and, my dear friend Nell passed away. We shared so many happy times together. I will miss her.

Love,

Else Klein

— **Else Klein**

Mark and Cindy. Our condolences on the loss of your mother and mother in-law. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jim and Pam Appleby

— **Jim Appleby**

Dear Gilda, Murray & Mark so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a great community leader and helped so many people in the Abernethy area. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

— **Mary Webber (Mitura)**

Our condolences to the Penny family on the passing of Nelle. We think of her often and will be fondly remembered. Albert, David, Bonny

— **Bonny Taylor nee Ballagh**

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