

Myra Klasina Reiter

DECEMBER 21, 2017

REITER, Myra

April 2, 1945 - December 21, 2017

Myra was born April 2, 1945 in Holland to parents Bertus and Jannetje de Bruijn, and immigrated with the family to Canada in 1960.

To help support her family, Myra quit school early to work in the Lacombe bakery, and it was



here that she first met Robert. The two were married on April 21, 1965 and started their family shortly after. Myra worked as a stay at home mother, until her children were older and attending school. She then completed her high school education, enabling her to start her career in the public school system. Myra continued with her education and after a brief time owning and running a small general store with Robert in Morningside, she went on to become the Administrator for the Summer Villages of Sylvan Lake and then Gull Lake, where she enjoyed interacting with citizens, mayors and council, as well as government officials at all levels of local and provincial government. Myra will be deeply missed and leaves behind her husband of 52 years, Robert; sons Rob (Donna), Jonathan (Juliette), and daughter Patricia (Conrad), and grandchildren; Rodney (Ginny), Denise, Randy (Emily), Benjamin, Alex (Karina), Hannah, Nicole, Kristen, Owen and Saje. Myra was predeceased by her parents and brother Jim, but is survived by siblings; Henk (Annie), Bert (Marilyn), John (Stephanie), Dan (Dorothy), Johanna (Malcolm), Sarina (Bob) and Gerard (Betty) and in-laws; Ulla and Poul, Ray and Audrey, Sharon, Barbara, Donald and Dorothy, Rod and Anna, and numerous nieces and nephews, all special to her. On Thursday December 28, 2017, Myra was laid to rest in the Saron Lutheran Church Cemetery which was

followed by a Celebration of Life held at St. Andrew's United Church in Lacombe, Alberta. The family is very grateful and appreciative of the care Myra received while in hospice at the Ponoka General Hospital. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in Myra's name to the Ponoka Hospital and Care Centre, 5800-57 Avenue, Ponoka AB, T4J 1P1.

Messages of Condolence

To Myra's Family. I was saddened to hear of Myra's passing. Unfortunately I (Pryna) did not hear about her passing until after the funeral. So was not able to share with you what a wonderful mentor Myra was for me. I knew of Myra when her family moved to Lacombe and when she worked at the bakery. But I really got to know Myra when she hired me to work with her shortly after she started working for the Summer Villages of Sylvan Lake. She was a great administrator and whipped that office into shape. I hope the citizens at the Summer Villages appreciated how lucky they were that she took them on. We worked together for 3 years. During that time I learned what a diplomatic, encouraging and good person she was. And how she loved her Coke (or was it Pepsi?). And how she loved her grandchild. I will always appreciate the opportunity she gave me. Cherish her memory! She was an exceptional person! Ed & Pryna Koberstein

— **Pryna & Ed Koberstein**

It is with sadness that I send my deepest sympathies to Myra's loved ones. I knew Myra best as the administrator of the 5 summer villages on Sylvan Lake. I worked for Red Deer County at the time. I had many opportunities to work directly with her, as a colleague, and can attest that our meetings were always productive, often frustrating, and always riddled with humour. Many times, i watched her go to bat for her summer villages. She could be very tenacious; she didn't earn the nickname 'Bulldog' without reason! She was a passionate and respected colleague and friend who will be missed. Peace be with you at this time.

— **Brenda Hoskin**



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