Waltraud Elsbeth Schmidt



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SCHMIDT, Waltraud (Val)

May 31, 1920 - February 1, 2022

Waltraud passed away peacefully on Tuesday evening, February 1, 2022 at the remarkable age of 101 years.

She was born Waltraud Elspeth Ziegenhagen in Schulitz, Germany, on May 31, 1920.She married Heinz Schmidt in 1942 and emigrated to Canada in 1952 with three small children. She resided in Calgary, Salmon Arm BC and Didsbury, AB.

She is lovingly remembered by sons, Kristian and Werner(Bonnie); and daughter, Ulrike (Klaus); grandchildren, Craig (Carmen), Kristi (Yvon) Kurt (April) and Erika (Sam); great-grandchildren, Leah and Andrew, Alexandra and Dominic, Shona and Rosali. She is pre-deceased by her husband (1990) and son-in-law, Ertan (2019).

We all will miss the sparkle in her eyes; her respectful and interested understanding, her thoughtfulness, patience, resilience and her generosity of spirit. Family was at the heart of her life. She was a storekeeper - owner with her husband for many years. A highlight was attending church with all the friends she had there. She enjoyed gardening, baking, cooking, playing the piano and singing.

The family wishes to send a special ‘thank you’ to the staff at Didsbury Home Care and the Didsbury Hospital. Also a heartfelt ’thanks’ to Kris for his exceptional dedication to her well-being, care and comfort over the years.

A Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 1:30 at Redeemer Lutheran Church, Didsbury with interment to follow in Didsbury Cemetery.

Messages of Condolence

My thoughts and prayers go out to all of your family. I worked for Didsbury home care for the last five years. I am no longer there , but Val was my absolute favourite client. ♥♥ May she RIP

— Leslie Hudson

I had the joy and privilege of being Val’s pastor for many years. I am thankful that Lord brought this exceptional Christian woman and her family into my life and the life of my family. Most grateful for her life of faith and blessed death in the faith. I join the family in mourning her departure from our eyes and I join the family and community in finding comfort in the Lord’s blessed promises that those who die in the Lord shall arise again on the day of the resurrection of all flesh. Well done thou good and faithful servant!

— Pastor Robert Mohns

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