Lois Rosalie Shantz



MAY 13, 2022

SHANTZ, Lois Rosalie

October 11, 1945 – May 13, 2022

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Lois Rosalie Shantz who left us peacefully on Friday, May 13, 2022, at SkyPointe Hospice Care with family by her side.

Lois was born on October 11, 1945, as the second oldest to Marc and Laura Faubert. She grew up and attended Westcliffe Composite School in the community of Marengo, Saskatchewan. Later her family moved to Calgary which is where she finished high school and met Arnold Shantz. On March 20, 1963 Lois and Arnold were married at Calgary, AB. Arnold and Lois settled on the farm of Arnold’s parents, Zita and Harold Shantz, and they lived in a mobile home for the early part of their 59 years together. Soon a boy named Corey arrived. The following year Michael came. Three years later Roger was born and then finally the family was complete with a baby girl named Janet.

Lois quickly adapted to farm life helping in any way that she could. She loved her beautiful flowers and had an incredible garden which she enjoyed sharing with others. Lois was an amazing cook who loved making meals for her family, and her kindness extended to making meals for others. She especially cherished making her special carrot cake for friends’ birthdays. Her cooking led to employment as Lois worked at the Oyen hospital for 20 years. People always knew when Lois was working as they could tell by her delicious food that was served that day. Lois was also a very talented sewer and she made beautiful wedding dresses for both her

daughter and daughters-in-law.

Curling was also her passion and she played on a team with Rita Kay, Louise and Darlene. They won many bonspiels together and even went to the Saskatchewan Provincials.

Arnold and Lois loved to get together with their siblings and cousins on both sides of the family. At harvest time, Lois would bring hot meals to the field and run the combine while the others ate. Lois and Arnold remained on the farm for 50 years.

In 2012 they sold the farm and they moved to Didsbury, AB to retire and enjoyed 9 wonderful years.
Lois is survived by her beloved husband, Arnold Shantz; and their four children, Corey Shantz, Michael (MJ Rath) Shantz, Roger (Rebecca) Shantz, Janet (Darryl) Webb; grandchildren, Chandra, Hannah, Ally, Bailee, Braxton, Coralee; great-grandchildren, Hudson, David and Ivy. She is also survived by her 3 sisters Lorraine (Butch) Sorensen, Louise (Tom) Attwood, Pat Agnew-Faubert; 1 brother Maurice (Karen) Faubert; and brother-in-law Ken McCowan. Lois was predeceased by her parents, Marc and Laura Faubert; and sister, Elaine McCowan. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at St. Anthony’s Catholic Church at 2030 - 24th Avenue, Didsbury AB at 2:00 p.m. on May, 27, 2022 with Father Nilo Macapinlac celebrating. In memory of Lois, a memorial donation may be made to the Wild Rose Humane Society, 13 Co-op Road, Didsbury Alberta, T0M 0W0.

Messages of Condolence

Arnold and family. Please accept our deepest Sympathy. We were very sadden to hear of Lois’ passing. She will be missed big time.

— Heather Norris

It was always a treat when we saw Auntie Lois. As a little girl I loved sitting at the table listening while the sisters visited. Auntie had a sharp wit and a big giving heart. She is loved and will be missed.

— Crystal Soames

It is with much sadness that I send you all my condolences. I always enjoyed my time with Lois. She was a lovely woman in so many ways. Praying for you all at this most difficult time.

— Wendy Kroeker

Growing up I remember thinking Lois was the most beautiful woman I ever saw!! And as we grew up it was apparent she was beautiful inside and out!! I remember when Dad died, she was so kind to us at the hospital and I always meant to tell her how much that meant to me but when I saw her she was always busy, laughing, talking or doing something and I didn’t want to interrupt...wish I had! Love and prayers to you all!

— Cindy Kunz (Switzer)

Our deepest sympathy on the loss of your wife and mother. I enjoyed the years I worked with Lois she was a great cook and person. We know you will miss her.

— Shane and Conny Hertz

Dear Arnold and Family,
I am so sorry for your loss. Treasure the happy memories as they will help you through the days to come.
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The world was a better place with Lois in it. Our condolences to Arnold and her whole family.

— Diana Walker

Deepest sympathies to Arnold & all family & friends. Will remember Lois as a fabulous curler at Alsask & bonspeils were so much fun!

— Bev & Murray Cowie

Corey, Michael, Roger and especially Janet! My thoughts are with you all. So many memories of spending time on your farm. Thank you Janet for allowing me to be a part of it. Your mom was always so loving and kind. My heart is with you all.

— Tricia (Barker) Bliss

Janet: You and your family are in my thoughts. Visiting the farm and meeting your wonderful parents is one of my best memories of living in beautiful Alberta.

— Cathy Butler

Our condolences to your entire family on the loss of your wife, mother and grandmother.

— Steve and Rhonda Bartlett

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Sincere condolences to Arnold, Corey, Michael, Roger and Janet and families. Many happy memories of evenings spent with Arnold and Lois. Had such a good visit with Lois recounting curling games and fun times. Great memories

— Shirley McClella

On behalf of the Jim & Nancy Sullivan's family CONDOLENCES.
Great memories of our life in Marengo and your family on your farm.
Always enjoyed the visits we had & missed after our families moved to Alberta.
Life brings so many twists and turns, & for this reason I was not able to get to Elaine's & now your service.
Arnold, Corey, Michael, Roger, Janet & families may your fun & happy times soon overtake your sadness that we all have to take sooner than later.
My thoughts are with you all at this time. Kathy (Kathleen)

— Kathleen Sullivan Rieberger

Our sympathies to all of your family Lois. Hugs and prayers!!!

— Carl and Pat Kuhn

Lois was such a sweet and giving person. A great cook. Our condolences to your family.

— Don & Dianne Ball
