

Aitken, Lillian Lorna

September 29, 2021



Lillian Lorna Aitken

Lillian Lorna Aitken (née: Cornish), aged 106 years of Central Butte Regency Manor and formerly of Eyebrow and Moose Jaw, SK passed away at Central Butte, SK on Sunday, September 26th, 2021. Lorna was born on the family farm south of Eyebrow on July 18th, 1915 to Mabel (née: Simpson) and John Cornish, the middle child of 5. She attended Gallinger School and then took high school by correspondence. Lorna married Robert Bruce Aitken on October 26th, 1936 at Three Hills, Alberta. In 1942, they returned to help their parents on their farms. In the fall of 1943, they purchased the Peever farm in the Darmody area, where they farmed and raised their family of what would eventually become 8. In the fall of 1968, they moved to Eyebrow to operate the service station. They purchased a house and when their son-in-law and daughter took over the service station, they spent a happy "retirement" enjoying the home and yard, and

doing some travelling in their motor home.

Lorna was active in the United Church (where she was the organist for many years both in Darmody and Eyebrow), United Church Women (life time member), and Eyebrow 4-H. She looked after bookings for the Eyebrow Seniors Wellness Clinic for many years. She served as councillor on the Eyebrow Village Council for 4 years. Always very fit, she curled until she was in her 80s.

Lorna's hands were always busy with a variety of crafts including knitting and crocheting, ceramics, needle point and petit point, and especially making quilts. Gardening was also her passion and joy. She loved to visit and regularly played scrabble.

When Lorna required more care, she moved to Ina Grafton Gage Home and then Crescent Park Villa in Moose Jaw and then in 2015, moved to Central Butte Regency Manor.

She was predeceased by her parents; husband, Bruce; son, Kenneth; grandchildren, Rodney Harms and Nadia Aitken; sons-in-law, Abe Harms and Bob Weberg; sisters: Kathleen, Winnifred (Doug) Shea, and Florence (Murt) Charlton; brother, John (Nora) Cornish; sister-in-law, Margaret (Sandy) Martin; and brothers-in-law: Donald, Clark, Jim Aitken and Harry (Lynn) Aitken. Lorna is survived by her children: Sylvia (Henry) Harms, Keith (Noreen) Aitken, Joy (Bob) Shaw, Mary (Larry) Levsen, Pat Aitken, John Aitken (Sandra Fowler) and Lorie (Hugh) Kurz; daughter-in-law, Shirley Aitken; 23 grandchildren, 48 great-grandchildren and 24 great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her sisters-in-law: Helen Aitken, Doreen Aitken, and Janet Grasdál.

Our thanks to Central Butte Regency Manor staff for the wonderful care provided to Mom over the last years.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, a Private Funeral Service will be held. Friends and Family are invited to view the service virtually on Friday, October 8th, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. by going to www.moosejawfuneralhome.com/webcast/. In lieu of flowers, donations in Lorna's name may be made to Regency Manor Auxiliary, PO Box 361, Central Butte, SK S0H 0T0 or Eyebrow Seniors. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home,

1.



Joyce Langer on September 29, 2021 at 2:42 pm

Your mom was such a great lady. I enjoyed my time with her. She had a great sense of humour

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2.



Lloyd Georgia Grasdahl on September 29, 2021 at 4:21 pm

Sorry to hear about your Mom' passing
Condolences to the family

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3.



Bonnie Mullin on September 29, 2021 at 8:56 pm

My sincere sympathy to all her many family. She lived life well and left a beautiful legacy

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4.



Ann Brown on September 30, 2021 at 12:12 pm

My condolences to all of the family. Lorna was without doubt the most amazing lady I have ever had the honour to meet. She was always so kind and loving and she has touched the lives of many, many people. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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5.



NORMA & DON MARTIN on September 30, 2021 at 2:21 pm

SORRY TO LEARN OF LORNA'S PASSING..... OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND CONDOLENCES.....NORMA & DON MARTIN

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6.



Brenda Gallant (Peterman) on September 30, 2021 at 9:41 pm

So sorry to hear about the passing of your mom. She was a great lady. My deepest condolences to the family.

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7.



Howard and Karen Peterman on September 30, 2021 at 10:11 pm

Please accept our condolences on your mom's passing. She was a wonderful lady with a great family.

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8.



Joyce Aitken on October 1, 2021 at 12:56 pm

Aunt Lorna was such an amazing, accomplished woman! Much loved and respected by all.
I will always remember her. Condolences to all.

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Joy Shaw and Robert Shaw on October 5, 2021 at 8:34 pm

Thank, everyone for the messages of condolences , she was a good woman and in her early years a very busy MOM

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9.



Marguerite Grasdahl Johnston on October 5, 2021 at 8:12

pm

Aunt Lorna was a woman of many talents who meant a lot to many people. She told me when she was 99 years old that I was her adopted daughter for one summer.

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10.



Marlys Benson on October 7, 2021 at 8:37 pm

Wow, to have lived 106 years and to have seen and experienced so many changes in this world is amazing. You are all so lucky to have had your Mom be present in your lives for so long.

When you grow up in a small town, many of your neighbours/friends become an extension of your own family – and that is how the Aitken family was to us.

I will always remember Lorna as a very vibrant individual who always had something on the go. I remember going to visit her with my Mom and she took us from room to room showing us her latest crafting projects and, of course, all her plants. I also remember her acting skills, whether it be at a wedding shower or a bonspiel social. Her laugh was contagious!

I hope that through this difficult period, with Covid in our lives, you are still able to connect as a family, whether virtually or in person, and share the wonderful memories you have of your Mom. It is so important to take time to grieve, reminisce, laugh and cry.

My thoughts are with all of you.

And thank you, Debbie, for the wonderful chat the other day.

Hugs,
Marlys Benson ♥️

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Debbie Graas on October 8, 2021 at 8:39 am

Thanks for this beautiful message. It was so good to catch up with you.

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11.



Ann (Watkinson) Beck on October 8, 2021 at 1:39 pm

Our thoughts are with you today! May you share many fond memories as you say goodbye!

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12.



[Donalda Lynn McCullough](#) on October 8, 2021 at 2:56 pm

Just watched the service for Lorna. Was great to see everyone and hear stories of her. She was such a big part of my life growing up in Darmody. She gave me my love for music and played piano for me when I sang at our Christmas concerts. Our family has many happy memories of Lorna and Bruce and family. She will always be with you in memories, you were so blessed to have had your mum for so many

years.

Donnie Lynn (Simpson)

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