Bender, Jean Elizabeth

October 1, 2019



JEAN ELIZABETH BENDER (née: Roe)

October 16th, 1936 – April 23rd, 2019

Jean Elizabeth Bender, aged 82 years of Rouleau, SK passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, April 23rd, 2019 at the Dr. F.H. Wigmore Regional Hospital in Moose Jaw, SK. She was predeceased by her husband, Art Bender; mother, Ida May; father, Wilfred Roe; brothers: Roy (Ruth) Roe, Russ (Marjorie) Roe, Norman Roe, Tom Roe, Joe Roe, Charlie Roe, and Billie Roe; sister-in-law, Marlene Roe; brother-in-law, Douglas Langdon; sons-in-law: Ben Amosah, Alain Sauve, and Keith Tatum; grandson, Kirby Mealing; and great-grandchildren, Terell Amosah and Deon Amosah. Jean is survived by her children: **Terry** (Edith), **Brenda**, **Victor**, **Susan** (Richard), **Patricia**, **Douglas** (Jan), and **Jacqueline**; 20 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren; brother, Bruce Roe; sister, Marg Langdon; brother, Ernie Roe (Joan); and sister-in-law, Noreen Roe.

Jean’s first love was all her family. She started working at a very early age on the family farm in Orilla, ON in the tobacco fields, and at 18 years of age Jean and Art were married. For many years, Jean and Art worked together raising their 7

children and building many businesses including farming, trucking, restaurant, and a Chrysler dealership. Jean loved to cook, knit and sew, and made 35 quilts in her last year. Her faithful sidekick Cuddles left her only a few short weeks ago. **A Celebration of Jean's Life will be held on Thursday, May 2nd, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Moose Jaw Funeral Home.** Brenda and Dennis Boyce will officiate and a private family interment will take place at Hillcrest Cemetery in Avonlea, SK. As an expression of sympathy, donations in Jean's name may be made to a charity of one's choice. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. Michelle Surtees, Funeral Director 306-693-4550.

1.



Elwood & Vern Lynds on April 26, 2019 at 3:55 pm

Our most sincere condolences to the Bender families in the passing of Jean.

Reply

2.



John &Cheryl Young on April 26, 2019 at 9:03 pm

Our thoughts are with all of the Bender Families at the sad and difficult time. Art & Jean were very good to us and our girls. Our Deepest Sympathy. John And Cheryl Young and Families.

Reply

3.



Brenda Fysh on April 26, 2019 at 11:39 pm

I want to give my most sincere condolences to the family of Jean Bender. She was a wonderful gracious woman who would give help you in amy way she could. A friend, a mentor, Mother,grandmother,aunt ,sister a beautiful sincere loving woman. RIP my friend you will be missed by all your family and anyone who had the privilege to know you. I will miss you Goodbye Jean. Enjoy being with Art again.

Reply

4.



Barbara Hunter on April 27, 2019 at 7:19 am

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Bender family. It has been a long time since we have seen each other, but we have very fond memories of Jean, Art and family. I remember great times with Jean and her brothers and sister at the family farm in Drumbo, Ontario. For a girl who grew up in town, collecting eggs and jumping in the hay loft are high on the list of favorites!!
My parents (Uncle Dick and Aunt Ivy) loved visiting with Jean & Art over the years.

Cousin, Barbara Hunter (nee Roe) and family

Reply

5.



James & Olga Sikorski on April 27, 2019 at 8:47 am

How sad it is when one gets old we face a enemy call death. It’s sad that Mrs. Bender reached that time. My wife and I like to offer our sympathy to the family and your friends. Also we would like to offer some words of comfort, these words are recorded for us in the Bible at John 5: 28, 29.

Reply

6.



Lisa-marie Ehrhardt on April 27, 2019 at 3:30 pm

My sincerest condolences to all the family of Jean. It is a loss for everyone who had the honor to have known Jean and Art. They have touch so many hearts in there time on earth, and now get to spend eternity holding each others hand.

Reply

7.



Marlene Lichty on April 27, 2019 at 6:46 pm

Our sincere condolences on the passing of Jean.
As cousins from Ontario , we were not in close contact in last years, but grieve with you in this big life change
Marlene and Mel Lichty (daughter of Uncle Steve and Aunt

Edna Gerber)

Reply

8.



Barb & Jim Roe on April 28, 2019 at 1:09 pm

Barb and I are sharing your sadness with the passing of Jean.
She truly was a hard worker, a devoted partner for Art and a strong and loving supporter of her family. A very good example of her strength and commitment happened when her mother passed away many years ago. Jean and my father Roy assumed guardianship of four of their underage siblings in the early 60's. That was a lot of extra responsibility early in Jean's early married life.
She will be missed as the matriarch of the Roe family.
The Roughriders have lost a loyal fan!!
Barb and I regret that we cannot attend the celebration of Jean's life.
We want the family to know we are thinking of them during this difficult time.

Reply

9.



Belva Perkin on April 28, 2019 at 4:44 pm

Sending sincere condolences to the family

Reply

10.



Elaine & Leon Bender on April 28, 2019 at 6:35 pm

Dear Nieces and Nephews
Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. We feel your pain and loss no matter the distance in between .
Uncle Leon and Aunt Elaine & family.

Reply

11.



Marlyn(Roe) & Gary Colwell on April 29, 2019 at 11:48 am

So very sorry to hear that Jean has passed, she was such a strong person.
I have many childhood memories of Jean and Art and all my cousins. My parents Ruth and Roy and Jean and Art had so many good times and lots of laughs over the years. Lots of stores and memories. I remember them visiting here when my Dad(Roy) passed, they were a great comfort and help to my Mom(Ruth) at that time. It almost seemed they were meant to visit just at that time.
I'm finding it so sad that this generation is passing away, they were such a hard working people and were happy with what they had even when life was so hard at times.
I hope you all can find comfort in your memories and support each other during this sad time.

Reply

12.



Walter Gerber on April 29, 2019 at 8:17 pm

Sorry to hear of Jeans death. I was best man at your parents wedding many years ago. First cousin of Art.

.

Reply

13.



Keith & Janet Bachert on May 1, 2019 at 7:54 am

Dear Nieces & Nephews, Thinking of you in a special way at this Difficult Time .We sorrow deeply with you and reminisce about the happy times we had with you all, especially last fall . We are so thankful we made that trip when we did. We had a nice visit with your Mother. A great lady has fallen! So sorry that our granddaughter's wedding in WV is conflicting with this funeral, but our thoughts and prayers for strength & comfort are with you all. May all the warm & special memories you shared with your Mother stay with you and bring you comfort through all the days ahead. Deepest Sympathy! Aunt Janet & Uncle Keith from ON

Reply