

Ellingson, Joyce Bertha

January 29, 2026



Joyce Bertha Ellingson

Joyce Bertha Ellingson, aged 80 years of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, January 21st, 2026. Joyce was born on September 11th, 1945, to John and Nancy (née: Manning) Richardson at Eastend, Saskatchewan. She married Ira Ellingson on November 30th, 1962, in Eastend, Saskatchewan. In 1963, Joyce and Ira moved to Mortlach, Saskatchewan, where they raised their family and built their lives together.

Joyce was a hardworking and dedicated wife and mother, always there to support her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchild. Beyond the exceptional love and support she gave to her family, she maintained a passionate love for animals, especially her dogs, who were never far from her side. Once her children were on their own, she commenced a career helping

others at Moose Jaw Home Care.

She was predeceased by her husband, Ira; parents, John and Nancy; brothers, Walter and Fred; brother-in-law, Ken; sisters-in-law, Bina and Heather; and her many dogs. Joyce is survived by her five children: Barbara (Scott) Ellingson, Patricia Ellingson, Duane (Kelli) Ellingson, Clinton Ellingson, and Andy Ellingson; grandchildren: Chantai Spearman, Shandell Spearman, Adrian McLaren, Paige McLaren, Dylan Ellingson, Sydney Ellingson, Abygail Ellingson, and Gracie Ellingson; great-grandson, Karsyn Spearman; siblings: Edward, Grace, Irene (Dennis), Beverly (Kalvin), and Charlie (Shirley); sister-in-law, Diana; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Joyce will be remembered as a selfless woman who devoted herself to her loved ones. Her legacy to all those she knew and loved was to find joy in the simple pleasures in life! She adored playing with her grandchildren and great-grandchild, walking her dogs, reading, Sudoku, cooking and baking for others, and sewing, whether it was clothes for her young children, alterations for fussy teenagers, costumes, or even Barbie clothes. She would often get up early to sit on her porch with a very hot cup of coffee and her dog to watch the sunrise and listen to the birds sing. At the end of the day, she would watch the sunset, and the moon and stars appear while she snuggled in a cuddly blanket.

A Celebration of Joyce's Life will be held at a later date.

Joyce's ashes are to be spread over the farmland where she was raised near Eastend, Saskatchewan.

Mom, you cared for us, you guided us, and you loved us.

Thank you for your tireless support.

You will forever remain in our hearts.

Rest in peace, Mom.

Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. Andrew Pratt, Funeral Director 306-693-4550



Betty Whitney on January 29, 2026 at 7:40 pm

I got to know Joyce through Homecare , sitting together through h/c meetings in Moose Jaw but never getting enough time for a good visit.

Sincere condolences to her family. She loved you all She will be so missed

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Shirley Tillie on January 30, 2026 at 6:53 am

Joyce you were so good to my Aunt and Uncle when they were not doing good years ago and we sure did appreciate you. Always the nicest lady to talk to and always in love with nature and Saskatchewan skies, your great devotion for your family .You will be missed. Our deepest sympathy to family.

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Bonnie Drake on January 30, 2026 at 10:25 am

Your Mom was an amazing caregiver. She took care of Mom, Mabel, for many years. She was so kind and compassionate. Mom (and Dad) enjoyed her daily visits. Rest in Peace, Joyce.

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Gerry Reilly on January 30, 2026 at 3:38 pm

Condolences to the whole family at this sad time ! She was a great lady every one loved !

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The Grajczyk family on February 3, 2026 at 5:32 pm

So sorry to hear about Joyce...our deepest sympathy to all of the Ellingson family. Joyce was just one ver, very. nice person....a hard working, gentle and caring lady.

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