

Gummesson, Margaret Loreen

November 7, 2023



Margaret Loreen Gummesson

It is with great sadness to announce the passing of a beautiful soul, Margaret Loreen Gummesson. She left our world on Saturday, November 4th, 2023, peacefully, with family beside her, which is exactly the way she would've wanted it. She was predeceased by her husband, Frank; parents, Percy and Ethel; brothers, Warren and Don; as well as her son, Doug. Loreen's fondest memory is of her horse Nell, who she would ride back-and-forth to school. She decided to become a teacher and taught for 18 years in various schools, and then 18 years in her own nursery school in the basement of their home, which was called The South Hill Play School. The children were her light in the world. She had a special gift to offer them, by teaching with such a gentle nature. She always said kneel down to the children and get at their level to talk to them, which many of us follow to this

date. Families would bring all of their kids to her, even reserving a spot once they were expecting another child. Loreen created Moose Jaw Fanfare, which was a nonprofit organization that would welcome newcomers to the city. Loreen and Frank also created the South of the Bridges days and they had so much fun planning it each year. It brought many people out and lots of friendships were made. They were also involved in the Cardiac support group where they enjoyed talking with other people who had similar experiences. However, their favourite group was the camping club, which they enjoyed to no end. It was the highlight of their year to go camping, and as a family, we did a lot of it. Loreen spent her last years in Extendicare, which is now called Moose Jaw Special Care Home. The staff took care of her beyond what any of us expected, loving her as if she was their own blood. We never had to worry if we hadn't been there in a while to visit, because we knew she was well taken care of. Loreen wanted her family to rejoice her life on her special day, those being her daughter-in-law, Phyllis (Ray) and children: Lana, Sharla (Rod) and children Victoria, Noah, Liam, Warren, Jenna, Andrew, Isaac, and Samuel, Carley (Micah) and children Spencer, Zachary, Malakai, and Isabella; son, Elmer (Denise) and children Kristen (Leif) and Dylan; daughter, Caron (Rick), and children Cayla (Dakin) and children Wilson, and Jacob, Rachell (David) and their fur child, Ozzy, Abby and child Elsie; as well as numerous other relatives and friends.

The Funeral Service will be held on Friday, November 10th, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in Moose Jaw Funeral Home. Lana Gummeson will officiate and interment will take place in Cabri, SK at a later date. **Those not able to attend may view the service virtually by going to www.moosejawfuneralhome.com/webcast/.** As an expression sympathy, donations in Loreen's name may be made to a charity of one's choice. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. Michelle Ellis, Funeral Director 306-693-4550

1.



Sheila and Brian Leahy on November 7, 2023 at 6:56 pm

Caron and family we were very saddened to hear of your loss. Your Mom was such a sweet lady. She was so kind and caring to everyone she met. I know you will cherish all of your happy memories of her. We hope in time those memories will bring you comfort, hope and peace. Our deepest sympathy . Sending you lots of love and big HUGS too. Take care.

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2.



Glennys Burns on November 8, 2023 at 9:27 am

Deepest sympathy to the entire family. She will be missed by so many families whose lives she touched including my own. May she rest in peace.

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3.



Gail Ellis on November 8, 2023 at 3:13 pm

I send my sincere condolences during this time of sorrow. The Bible promises that your loved one will live again on a beautiful paradise earth when death will be no more. (John 5:28, 29; Revelation 21:4)

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4.



Greg Nicholls on November 8, 2023 at 6:28 pm

Sorry to hear of your mothers passing to Elmer and family Greg Nicholls.

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5.



Eva on November 8, 2023 at 10:26 pm

Caron & family,

My condolences to you and your family with the loss of your mom. Her soft spoken voice and gentle touch will never be forgotten! I hope the memories cherished will help mend your broken heart.

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6.



Cathy (Brailean) Stewart on November 9, 2023 at 9:41 am

My condolences to Elmer,Caron and their families. I'm so sorry for your loss

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7.



Stacey and Yogi on November 9, 2023 at 10:38 am

Loren was a lovely woman that will be dearly missed. Our condolences to the family.

Stacey Landin and Yogi Weber

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8.



Pat (Gibbs) Dubé on November 9, 2023 at 8:08 pm

Mrs. Gummesson taught me “pre-kindergarten” at King Edward. It was such a great introduction to school and I’ve always remembered her fondly. I know she made an impact on me and many others. My condolences to the family.

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9.



Anita Smith on November 9, 2023 at 9:32 pm

So very sorry to hear of the loss of your Mom Caron. She was a very special lady to so many. As you celebrate her life remember all the great memories you have all created along the way. Cherish the time you had together. My deepest condolences to you all. ♥️

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10.



Pat & Keith McCaig on November 10, 2023 at 10:57 am

Your mom/grandma was a very special lady. I worked with her at the library at Minto. She was dedicated to her mission in life which was to family and everyone she was acquainted with as well as those in need whether she knew them or not. You will miss her.

We are very sorry we cannot attend her service today. I would have liked to attend.

Rest in peace dear lady.

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11.



Jan Radwanski on November 11, 2023 at 1:02 pm

Loreen was very instrumental as Chairperson of some of the first Community School Councils at Empire Elementary and Riverview Collegiate. Her participation as an active and passionate community representative was always so well received and her inputs were always so valuable to ensure the schools were inclusive and thriving. My sincere condolences to her family.

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12.



Jackie Bostic on November 14, 2023 at 5:44 pm

Vern, Jackie and Kerwyn Bostic would like to offer our sincere condolences to Caron, Phyllis and the entire family for their loss of Loreen . We will never forget how kind, caring and helpful she was to all her students

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13.



Jan Smith on November 17, 2023 at 12:56 pm

Sorry to hear about Loreens death. She was a good neighbour, friend and Mary Kaye rep.Fyi.. the South of the Bridge that they helped found is still alive e and going well. Check Facebook for our eventsx ☐ Jan Smith

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