Heshka, Elsie Helen

July 3, 2020

Elsie Helen Heshka

We are deeply saddened by the loss of our mother, **Elsie Helen**

Heshka (nee Marteniuc).

Predeceased by her mother, Zenovia and father, Nicholas, her husband, Steve; son, Wayne; brother, John (Fern); sister, Jenny (Tom); son-in-law, Don as well as sisters-in-law and brothers-in law.

Mom will be greatly missed by her daughters, **Beverly** and **Cheryl**; son, **John**; sister, Minnie Mikula; daughter-in-law, Maria; grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and many other members of her extended family.

Mom was one of four children born in a small house on Maple Street in Moose Jaw and as a young woman worked as a waitress at the Exchange Café when she met her husband Steve. Soon after marrying in 1941, the happy couple moved a farmhouse they purchased to Home Street, a block south of where she was born. It was here where she lived and dedicated her life to her husband and children for over five decades. Mom was a dedicated member of the community and known as an avid gardener, crocheter and devoted member of St. Michaels and All Angels Church. She was also an excellent baker and cook, teaching many women in the neighbourhood how to make pierogies and was infamous for flipping large roasters of these delicious bites to coat them in butter and onions.

She faced a number of health challenges over the course of her life and met each with resilience and grace. She will be remembered by many as a gentle, generous, and grateful person who right until the end, always extended thanks to any expression of kindness given to her.

Over the years, Mom specifically noted the kind-heartedness provided to her by Mike Dubin, Mary Tkach and Dr. Hugo and his wife. On behalf of the family, we are also profoundly grateful for the care provided by the remarkable team at Extendicare with a few of mom’s favorites being Alex, Debbie, Bryce, Sienna, Cosette, Regina, and Sandra.

Written in a note by Mom before she passed… “*I’m so thankful I’ve been blessed with a wonderful family. To my children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, thanks for all the things you all have done for me through all the years.*

If roses grow in heaven Lord, please pick a bunch for us
Place them in mother's arms, and tell her they are from us
Tell her we miss and love her, and when she turns to smile
Place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while."

A Private Family Service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be offered to St Aidan's Church. 124-1st Ave, NE. Moose Jaw, SK S6H 0A9. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. James Murdock, Funeral Director, 306-693-4550

1.

Denise lebrun on July 4, 2020 at 7:55 am

My deepest sympathies to Cheryl and her family. Let your memories comfort you,she was a wonderful lady.

Reply

2.

Shane & Krista Brotzel on July 4, 2020 at 9:51 am

So sorry for the loss of you mom Cheral. She was such a sweet lady. Condolences to you and your family .

Reply

3.

Sandra Poulton on July 4, 2020 at 6:50 pm

Cheryl, Bev, John and families. I was so sorry to read

about your mom’s passing. She was such a lovely lady and always had a smile on her face. I’m glad I was able to have a short visit with her last year. She will be missed.

Reply

4.

Charlotte (Box) Field on July 6, 2020 at 8:26 am

Cheryl: I’m so sorry to hear of your mother’s passing. May the happy memories you have help you thru this very difficult time.

Reply

5.

Leslie (Chin) MacDonald on July 6, 2020 at 4:19 pm

Cheryl and family…My sincere condolences in the passing of your mom. She was such a friendly, thoughtful and kind lady who always took time to chat. I haven’t seen her or you for many years but I still remember like it was yesterday when we would enjoy our visits together. Cherish all those memories of her and hold them close to your heart as you continue her legacy. Thinking about you….take care, Leslie

Reply

6.

Judi & Dan Tremblay on July 7, 2020 at 10:34 am

Our sincere condolences Cheryl and family. Elsie was a very special, always happy to see people and made us all feel like
a special person in her life. She is a peace now and free from pain may you all cherish your wonderful memories and hold them close to your heart. Thinking of you all in this difficult time.

Reply

7.

Jess on July 11, 2020 at 9:32 am

Sorry to hear

Reply