

Lemieux, Dorothea Barbara Mary

November 12, 2020



Dorothea Barbara Mary Lemieux

Dorothea Barbara Mary Lemieux (née: Menzies, North, McCormack)

passed away on Monday, November 9th, 2020 at the age of 95 years. Dorothea was born in Limerick, Saskatchewan on December 24th, 1924 to Peter and Mildred Menzies. She was predeceased by her parents; husband, Louis Lemieux; brothers, Keith and Nairn; sons, Curtis North and Gary North; and stepchildren: Brian Lemieux, Harold Lemieux, Shirley Rosso and Bill McCormack. Dorothea will be remembered by her daughter, Ev McCormack; sons, Jim (Judy) McCormack and Bob (Rhonda) McCormack; daughters-in-law: Carol North, Maryann North, and Karen Avery ("daughter"); stepchildren: Allan (Shirley) Lemieux, Elaine Lemieux and John Rosso; Bill McCormack's children and all of their families.

The Menzies were poor farmers and survived many hardships. Dorothea developed a strong sense of resourcefulness, independence and creativity. She was always very determined, practical and a perfectionist. Her acute awareness to detail was obvious in both conversation and labor. She had a strong sense of fairness and advocated for those less fortunate than her.

Despite having severe rheumatoid arthritis and Renaults disease, Dorothea became an accomplished seamstress and tailor. She could make ANYTHING and EVERYTHING! She was well known, particularly on South Hill, for creating many bridal gowns, bridesmaid dresses, graduation gowns, suits and various other items of clothing. Dorothea was definitely a master at her craft. She was also an excellent cook and perhaps the slowest eater in the world!

Dorothea had a keen mind and valued education. She was very observant and attentive to others body language. She spoke her truth. Although not especially demonstrative in nature, she was very proud of her children and pleased all had developed strong work ethics and were successful in their chosen occupations. She was profoundly affected by the loss of her sons Curtis and Gary and her stepdaughter, Shirley.

Dorothea was quite involved with the Liberal Party, local politics and 4-H. She enjoyed genealogy and spent many hours researching her Scottish heritage. Dorothea dreamed of visiting Scotland to see the "Menzies" castle and was delighted to receive a picture of her grandson, Dan, taken in front of the castle.

Dorothea loved nature and took many beautiful pictures in Wakamow during walks to watch the birds and wildlife within the area. She enjoyed puttering in her yard and receiving daily visits from the neighbor's cat, Tigger.

Coping with the loss of her independence was difficult for her. The family would like to thank all who would brighten her day with a little extra attention, a visit and some conversation over the past few years. A huge thank you to Bev and James Murdock for sending flowers on a regular basis to lift her spirits.

In keeping with Dorothea's wishes, a Private Family Service will be held in the summer of 2021. As an expression of sympathy, donations in Dorothea's name may be made to the Salvation Army, 175 – 1st Ave NE, Moose Jaw, SK S6H 0Y9.

May she rest in peace.

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

1.



Vern Lynds on November 12, 2020 at 5:53 pm

Most sincere condolences to all Dorothea's family. She was a very special lady. Always enjoyed a chat with her at the Old Wives Hall functions. Elwood & Vernon Lynds

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Ev McCormack on November 21, 2020 at 9:28 pm

Thank you, Vern. I have heard mom mention your name when talking of Old Wives Hall. She certainly enjoyed visiting with everyone at the functions associated with

Old Wives!

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2.



Bonnie (Barnett) Clubbe on November 12, 2020 at 6:47 pm

My deepest sympathy to Dorothea's family and friends. She was a dear friend of many who will be greatly missed by all.

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Ev McCormack on November 21, 2020 at 9:32 pm

Thanks, Bonnie.

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3.



Gayle Jones on November 13, 2020 at 8:17 am

What a lovely lady and what a beautiful smile. She will be missed. My thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

[Reply](#)



Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 2:55 pm

Thank you, Gayle. Mom did have a beautiful smile.

[Reply](#)

4.



Corliss Okerstrom on November 13, 2020 at 11:43 am

Sorry to hear the news . She was a exceptional lady and enjoyed talking with her and hearing all the news of the things She was doing. Remember the good times and She will always be with you.

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Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 2:57 pm

Thank you. She was always busy with one project or another!

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5.



Dwayne & Val Spratt on November 13, 2020 at 1:08 pm

Our sincere condolences, our thoughts and prayers are with

you.

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Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 2:59 pm

Thanks Val and Dwayne.

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6.



Brenda & Ken Humphrey on November 13, 2020 at 4:15 pm

Our sincere condolences to your family. May your memories bring you peace .

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Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 3:01 pm

Thank you so much Brenda and Ken.

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7.



Doris Dunlop on November 13, 2020 at 8:55 pm

Dear Ev, Jim and Bob... My deepest sympathies in the loss of your mother..I will miss her wit, blue eyes and her humour.May your memories carry each of you through this difficult time.. I will miss my visits with you Ev.Take care of yourself.

[Reply](#)



Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 3:14 pm

Thanks, Doris. Your care and concern was always appreciated by mom and me. I will miss our chats as well!

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8.



Terry Cunningham on November 14, 2020 at 9:25 am

Condolences to your family may you find peace in your memories.

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Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 3:15 pm

Thanks, Terry.

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9.



Sandra Gray on November 14, 2020 at 12:01 pm

Dorthea truly was a beautiful person inside and out. I met her while I worked at Fabricland in Moose Jaw. She sure was a very gifted seamstress! I always enjoyed it when she came to the store so I could hear all about her latest project. She will be missed by all who knew her!

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Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 5:00 pm

Thank you Sandra for sharing your memories of mom. She definitely was very gifted, very creative. She could design pretty much anything. Her skills were amazing!

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10.



Lori on November 14, 2020 at 3:19 pm

Ev I'm sorry to see your mom has passed on I'm glad I got to meet her when my mom was in Extencicare when she was I now know where you got your strength from your in my thoughts

[Reply](#)



Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 5:02 pm

Thank you, Lori. It was nice meeting your mom as well.

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11.



Sharon Busse on November 14, 2020 at 6:11 pm

Ev, Jim, Bob & families. So very sorry to hear of your mothers passing. She was a very special lady.

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Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 5:05 pm

Thank you, Sharon.

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12.



Ray and Pauline Lavallee on November 15, 2020 at 3:24 pm

Sincere sympathy to your family. Our thoughts are with you all at this difficult time.

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Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 5:07 pm

Thank you Ray and Pauline for thinking of us.

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13.



Nancy McCurdy on November 16, 2020 at 11:32 am

So sorry Ev, Jim, Bob and families, to read of your mother's passing. I remember her well and her sewing abilities..

Nancy Cornell McCurdy

[Reply](#)



Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 5:09 pm

Thank you so much for your kind words, Nancy.

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14.



M. Wallace on November 16, 2020 at 5:33 pm

My sincere condolences – Dorothy was a kind and generous person and will be greatly missed.

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Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 5:11 pm

Thank you – she will be missed.

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15.



Cheryl (Stefiuk) Penner on November 23, 2020 at 1:52 am

Thinking of you Ev – you were an amazing daughter – so faithful in being there for you Mom. May you sense the Lord's blessing as you move forward...let the tears come.

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Ev McCormack on November 25, 2020 at 5:13 pm

Thank you, Cheryl, for your kind thoughts.

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