

1920 - 2022
ELFRIEDA MENSCH
In loving memory of



Elfrieda Cecelia was born to Josef and Emilia Wagner on the family farm in the Landestrew District south of MacNutt, Saskatchewan on November 21, 1920, the youngest of 8 children. She went to Zorn school and when she finished grade 7 her father said that was enough school for a girl so she stayed home to work on the farm. She worked in Melville as a hired girl in the late 1930's and she seemed to have enjoyed her time there. She married Frank Mensch May 11, 1941 and moved to the farm north of Langenburg where he had been born. They lived on that farm for 47 years. They had two children, Marilyn and Barry. Frieda was an excellent cook, but she loved to bake all kinds of dainties and her piecrust was the best. Apple strudel at Christmas was a must. She grew a large garden, not because she particularly liked it, but out of necessity. Card games were the main entertainment of the era and she and Frank enjoyed many with neighbours and friends. She also enjoyed a good movie and dancing. Her hair was important to her and so were her clothes. Everything had to match. Her husband, children and grandchildren were very important and she showed her love for everyone by doing things for them. She never missed sending a card for their birthdays. She was a quiet person, had a great sense of humour and was able to come out with some terrific one-liners which, were enjoyed by everyone who heard them. When they retired she and Frank went on several bus tours. Each stop was judged by how good the gift shops were and how many salt and pepper shakers they could find. She had a collection of over 800 sets. In 1989 they moved to Langenburg and for the first time in her life at the age of 69 she had running water and indoor plumbing. In 1999 they moved to Watrous to Westridge Manor where she lived for 19 years. In 2018 at the age of 97 she went into long term care at Manitou Lodge. She was predeceased by her husband of 72 years, son Barry, son-in-law Lloyd Sedens, parents Josef and Emilia, siblings Philip, Annie, Lena, George, Lizzie, Louise and Rosie. She is survived by her daughter Marilyn Sedens, daughter-in-law Pauline Mensch, grandchildren Dean Sedens, Angela Uittenhoger (Kees), Erick Sedens (Melissa), Brent Mensch (Melanie), Haley Bistretzan (Garry), Greg Mensch (Jadah), 17 great grandchildren, 6 great great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

DON'T CRY FOR ME

*Don't cry for me. I will be okay.
 Heaven is my home now.,
 And this is where I'll stay.*

*Don't cry for me. I'm where I belong.
 I want you to be happy
 And try to stay strong.*

*Don't cry for me. It was just my time,
 But I will see you someday
 On the other side.*

*Don't cry for me. I am not alone.
 The angels are with me
 To welcome me home.*

*Don't cry for me. For I have no fear.
 All my pain is gone,
 And Jesus took my tears.*

*Don't cry for me. This is not the end.
 I'll be waiting here for you
 When we meet again.*

In loving memory of
ELFRIEDA CECILIA MENSCH
 aged 101 years

CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE
 Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church
 Watrous Saskatchewan
 Wednesday August 10, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

OFFICIANT
 Rev. Marilyn Stobbs

PALLBEARERS
 Greg Mensch Luke Mensch Erick Sedens
 Dean Sedens Garry Bistretzan Dyson Bistretzan

REGISTER ATTENDANTS
 Bryn Mensch Hunter Sedens

EULOGY
 Greg & Jadah Mensch

USHER
 Melissa Sedens

READERS
 Delaine Bristretzan Jacee

MUSIC
 Mel Manson

INTERMENT