



GUNTHER,

Evelyn

Dec. 24, 1922 - Nov. 2, 2018

Evelyn was born on the Greve (now Gunther/Bartel) family farm six miles south of Lanigan to Elizabeth (nee Behrens) and Albert Greve and was the third of four daughters. She was baptized in January 1923 and confirmed in April 1938 as a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church. Her faith remained important to her throughout her life. She was educated at Poplar Hill School, where she held fond memories of the sports days. Evelyn worked very hard throughout her life and is a characteristic she passed on to all three of her children. Evelyn married Art Gunther on February 2, 1946. They had three children: Donna, Dallas and Lance. They lived on the farm with Evelyn's parents until Donna started school. Art and Evelyn and children then moved into Lanigan. They lived in town during the winter months and proceeded to move to the farm once the school year finished and return to town once harvest was complete. Evelyn learned to quilt during the winter months with her mother and used her talent throughout the years, not only making beautiful quilts for her grandchildren, but also quilting for Lutheran church missions, Lanigan and District Heritage Centre raffles, and with the Hospital Auxiliary for the Lanigan Centennial celebrations. She enjoyed taking in chuckwagon races, curling and baseball games, feeding her family and having friends in for tea. Her vegetable and flower gardens were always immaculate and bountiful with her tender care and attention. Over the years she enjoyed participating in ladies' exercise groups, Merry Mixers, and shuffling at the heritage centre. Evelyn's heart was in the wide open space of the countryside, and farming is what she lived and breathed. From actively participating in the seeding and harvest in her younger days, to bringing out hot meals to the fields during the long days of harvest to Dallas and Lance, and in her final years, riding alongside her grandsons in the combine brought her so much joy and happiness. Evelyn's pride and joy were her grandchildren, and more recently, her great-grandchildren. She would often mention how much she loved the days when she would have her grandchildren come and stay overnight and for the holidays. She was extremely proud of each and every one of them for their individual accomplishments and paths in life. Getting a good education and working hard were very important to her for her grandchildren and she helped them to do so with her generosity and unwavering support. In spring 2001 Evelyn moved into the Jubilee Homes and enjoyed many happy years there. As time progressed, she was unable to live on her own and moved into the lodge in 2016. Her family is grateful for the compassionate care she received there. Evelyn became increasingly unwell in late September but recovered enough strength to return to the field to watch one final harvest Thanksgiving weekend. She died on November 2, 2018 at the Lanigan Central Parkland Lodge with family by her side. She was 95 years of age. Evelyn was comforted in her faith that when she left this earth she would rest in peace with her Lord and Saviour and be reunited with her loved ones who predeceased her.

Evelyn will be lovingly remembered and greatly missed by her family: Donna (Red Gay) Johnson of Delisle, Sask. Chelsea (Ryan) Posnikoff, Nolan, Evelyn and Luke of Oakville, Ont. Karine (Robin) Hamm, Silas and Elise of Borden, Sask.; Teresa Gunther of Lanigan, David (Johanie Robitaille) Gunther, Dallas and Dylan of Lanigan, Sask. Shawn Gunther of Lanigan, Sask. Anita Gunther of Calgary, Alta.; Lance (Darlene) Gunther of Lanigan, Sask. Hannah (Kent) Fleming, Jake, Ty and Cash of Lloydminster, Alta., Sarah (Rod) Proudfoot, Isaac and William of Dunbar, Scotland, Rachel (Bryce) Bartel, Lincoln and Merit of Drake, Sask.; sister Irene White of Portland, Ore.; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Evelyn was predeceased by her beloved husband Art Gunther, son, Dallas, son-in-law Murray Johnson, granddaughter Fiona Joy Gunther, sisters Agnes Smith and Vera Prange and foster brother Floyd Keltner. She was the last remaining spouse/child of the Fred Gunther family.

A private family service (at Evelyn's request) will take place.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Saskatchewan Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (SDHHS) are gratefully received (www.sdhhs.com).

Condolences may be made at md-funeralhome.ca/notices/Evelyn-Gunther.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Malinoski & Danyluik Funeral Home, Humboldt.