



**SCHROEDER,
Mary Helen
September 27, 1929 -
February 7, 2018**

Mary Helen (nee Martens) Schroeder of Central Parkland Lodge, Lanigan, SK passed away at her residence on Wednesday, February 7, 2018. She was 88 years of age.

Mary was born September 27, 1929 to Peter and Helen (nee Zacharias) Martens at

Fiske, Saskatchewan. She grew up on the family farm located north of Fiske, with her two brothers and one sister. She completed grades 1-10 at Mapleton School, north of D'arcy and attended Rosthern Junior College to complete grades 11 and 12. Due to the shortage of teachers, she attended Teacher's College in Saskatoon and received her permanent teacher's certificate. In the fall of 1948, she started her first teaching position at the Fortsburg School at Alingly, Saskatchewan (north of Prince Albert). The following year she moved to the Jansen area to teach at the Auderville School located north of Jansen where she taught for six years. This is where she met Reinhold Schroeder, her future husband and they were later married on July 24, 1952. Reinhold and Mary were united in marriage at the Fiske Mennonite Church and were blessed with four children, Lyle, Rod, Ralph and Marla. Mary was always strong in her faith. In May 1947 she was baptized on the confession of her faith and became a member of the Ebenfeld Mennonite Church at Fiske. On Reformation Day in 1954, she was confirmed and became a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Jansen. Mary will be remembered for her love of people, and found great joy in special times shared visiting with family and friends. Mary and Reinhold spent countless hours attending the kids sporting activities including ball, hockey, curling and figure skating. She also enjoyed crocheting, knitting, quilting, baking and tending to her flower gardens. Some of her favorite holidays were summer vacations at Barrier Lake, visiting Marla and Nick in Canmore, watching Ralph curl in the Nipawin Carspiel and attending family reunions with her brothers and sister and their families. Her final years were spent in Lanigan at Central Parkland Lodge, where she enjoyed visiting with the other residents, playing games and reading.

Mary will be lovingly remembered by her family, three sons, one daughter, five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, Lyle (Lynn) Schroeder of Black Diamond, AB; Rod Schroeder of Jansen, SK and son Eric (Katie) and their son Myles; Ralph (Char) Schroeder of Lanigan, SK and children Jared, Janessa (Cole) and their family Greg, Ella and Brewer, Hayden (Alyse) and Addie; and Marla (Nick) Schlachter of Canmore, AB; brother George (Esther) Martens of Fiske; sisters-in-law Lilly Seifert of Lanigan, Gladys Schroeder of Southey; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband Reinhold Schroeder; parents Peter and Helen (nee Zacharias) Martens; siblings: Peter (Hertha) Kampen and Adina (John) Klassen; and in-laws: Manuel Schroeder, Eric (Elsie) Schroeder, John Schroeder, Olga (Bill) Anders, Mary (Julius) Torwalt, Natalia (Adolph)

Block, Emma (Bill) Paetsch, Helen (George) Krause, Marie Krause, Myrtle (Charlie) Large and Karl Seifert.

A Funeral Service was held at Zion Lutheran Church, Jansen, SK on Saturday, February 10, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. officiated by Pastor Glenn Shore. Others taking part were: Addie Francis and Jack Robson, special reading; Arlene Ewen and Judy Bach, memorial table attendants; Ken Ewen and Dave Renwick, ushers; Angel Liebrecht, organist; Char Schroeder, Kevin and Rachelle Sawatsky, Brenda Bowman and Jack Robson, special music; Marla Schlachter and Ralph Schroeder, eulogists; Eric Eklund, urnbearer.

Interment followed at the Jansen Public Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be directed to either the Dr. Ali Rajput Endowment for Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Research, c/o Royal University Hospital Foundation, Room 1626, 103 Hospital Drive, Saskatoon, SK, S7N 0W8 or the Jansen Zion Lutheran Church Fund.

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