



Maria Korchinski beloved wife of the late Jaroslaw, passed away on Saturday, February 26, 2022 at the age of 85 years. She is the loving mother of Jerry Korchinski, Nick (Sherry) Korchinski, Anna Korchinski and Kathy (George) Van Dellen. She is also survived by her grandchildren: Tyler Korchinski (Ivan, Isabella, Jacob), Krystal & Balazs Molnar (Wyatt, Lexi), Heather & Paul Crapo (Landon, Naomi), Jennifer & David Pike (Kalina, Erwin, Adelyn) and Devon Van Dellen & Alicia Friars (Ainsley) and her brother Tony (Sandy) Braun. Extended family can be found in the United States, Australia, Germany, Croatia and Ukraine. She was predeceased by her husband of 57 years and her parents Heinrich and Anna Braun.

Maria was born in Forkuševci, Croatia, on July 15, 1936. She immigrated to Canada with her parents and brother in 1951. She met and married Jaroslaw in Lethbridge but they moved about with his job, they resided mainly in High River and Warner. Maria made a home, took care of the family and made many friends. This attribute was inherited by her son Nick. Maria was a miracle worker. She could make a full dinner in less than a half-hour. She always had the coffee pot on, and something to go with it.

A love of hers was knitting and crocheting afghans and sweaters in no time at all, right up to the end. This was a craft she shared with her daughter Anna. She always had time for visiting friends and relatives. Maria always loved to watch things grow, whether it was kids, flowers or her garden. The bird feeder, outside of her living room window was a "TV channel" she enjoyed the most. She was a sports fan, who loved to watch the Chuckwagon races and rodeos. When she was younger, she spent many weekends dancing downtown in the Trianon ballroom. Like her daughter Kathy, she loved to dance. She really enjoyed accordian music, with her favourite dance being a good polka.

After Jaroslaw retired, they were able to travel quite a bit in their motorhome, Jerry inherited their love of travel. They traveled south to Portland and Disneyland. They went west to Kelowna and Nanaimo and had fun catching ocean critters. Eastward, we can never forget the memorable "all nighter" to Winnipeg for the Croation Dance Festival, or the train trip to Ottawa, to see her brother Tony and his family. They went north to High Prairie where Jaroslaw had some family but she never quite made it to Alaska or to the new home of her grandson, Devon.

God has granted you peace. Enjoy your rest... you have earned it.

Know that you are loved and that your legacy will carry on through your children, your grandchildren and your great-grandchildren.

Memorial Service

Cornerstone Funeral Home 2825 - 32nd Street South, Lethbridge, Alberta Friday, March 11, 2022, at 11:00 AM

Sharon Hagel Officiating

Processional Song - Ave Maria by Il Divo
Opening Prayers

Wirst Reader - Idzerd Van Dellen - Joh 19:23-2

First Reader - Idzerd Van Dellen - Job 19:23-26

Psalm 25
Second Reader - Devon Van Dellen - Romans 8:31-39

Gospel - Sharon Hagel - Matthew 11:25-30
On the Wings of a Dove by Dolly Parton
Memorial Tribute - Jennifer Pike and Krystal Molnar

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Closing Prayers
Video Tribute

Recessional Song - Edelweiss by the Von Trapp Family

Reception

Following the Service, a Reception in Maria's honour will be held in the Cornerstone Reception Room

Interment

Following the Reception, Maria will be laid to rest in Mountain View Cemetery

Hounourary Pallbearers

Tyler Korchinski Krystal Molnar Heather Crapo Jennifer Pike Devon Van Dellen

We will miss you ... so will your birds.