



It is with great sadness that the family of CZESIA AKSNOWICZ, beloved wife of the late Alfons Aksnowicz, announce her passing at the Chinook Regional Hospital, on Saturday, June 18, 2022 at the age of 90 years.

Czesia will be lovingly remembered by Gina (Larry) Wojtowicz, and Alice (Dan) Renning; grandchildren Jen Buit, Justin (Jocelyn) Buit and Kevin Renning; greatgrandchildren Tristan, Jaelynn, Janae, Vincent, Violet and Xavier. She is also survived by brothers Anthony (Theresa) Kuziomko and Nick (Lorette) Kuziomko, as well as, numerous nieces and nephews.

Besides her loving husband Alfons, she was predeceased by her son Robert; son-in-law Jack Buit; parents Amelia and Anthony Kuziomko; brothers Stanley and George Kuziomko; her in-laws Malvina and Adam Aksnowicz and dearest friends Helena and Jan Pietkiewicz.

Czesia was born to Amelia and Anthony Kuziomko on March 8, 1932 in Jankowieze, Poland, the second of five children. When the Second World War broke out, Czesia and her family were loaded on trains and taken to various German camps throughout the war. The family survived the war and they immigrated to Canada in 1949, arriving by ship in Halifax, Nova Scotia. They then travelled by train to Barnwell, Alberta, to work in the sugar beet fields. 1949 was also the year she met the love of her life, Alfons, and they were married on May 13, 1950. Czesia and Alfons began their lives together in Southern Alberta, where they raised three children and celebrated 68 blessed years together.

Czesia and Alfons purchased a farm near Picture Butte, where she enjoyed creating her beautiful flowerbeds. Every year, she would search many garden centres with her daughter and granddaughter, finding something new to plant and expand her flowerbeds. Alfons would shake his head every time the car was unloaded, but they enjoyed swinging in their backyard together, admiring the view. She also planted an enormous vegetable garden, where she would freeze and preserve the harvest.

Czesia also loved to keep herself busy cooking, baking, sewing, crocheting, knitting and spending time with her family. She enjoyed going to the Polish dances (oh how she loved to dance!) and volunteer her time in the kitchen for these events. She also looked forward to camping each year in Radium, British Columbia, soaking in the hot springs and visiting with many friends. Czesia and Alfons travelled to visit family in Toronto, Montreal, Chicago and Poland.

Most of all, she cherished and loved her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Czesia was a woman of great faith. Our family is comforted in knowing she is now with her Saviour and surrounded by loved ones.

She will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered forever.

Prayer Service

Cornerstone Funeral Home 2825 - 32nd Street South, Lethbridge, Alberta Wednesday, June 22, 2022, at 7:00 PM

Officiating - Deacon Santiago Torres Tributes - Jen Buit, Justin Buit & Kevin Renning Video Tribute - created by Cornerstone Funeral Home

Funeral Mass

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church 2405 - 12th Avenue South, Lethbridge, Alberta Thursday, June 23, 2022, at 9:30 AM

> Celebrant - Father Kevin Tumback Organist - Laurel Van Vaerenbergh Soloist - Nicki Murray

Hymns

Processional - Thy Word Offertory - Instrumental Communion - Worthy is the Lamb Meditation - Ave Maria Recessional - Be Not Afraid

Readings

First - Isaiah 25:6-9 - Read by Justin Buit Psalm 25 Second - Thessalonians 4:13-18 - Read by Jen Buit Gospel - Matthew 11:25-30

Interment

Following the Funeral Mass, Czesia will be laid to rest with her beloved husband, Alfons, in Mountain View Cemetery.

Active Pallbearers

Justin Buit Kevin Renning Larry Wojtowicz
Dale Flemming Gordon Bello Jen Buit

Honourary Pallbearers

Czesia's Great-Grandchildren Tristan Jaelynn Janae Vincent Violet Xavier

Reception

Afterward, relatives and friends are invited to further share this day in the **Assumption Church Hall** for a time of fellowship and refreshments.