When I come to the end of the day And the sun has set for me I want no rites in a gloom-filled room. Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little, but not too long And not with your head bowed low. Remember the love we once shared-Miss me, but let me go. For this is a journey we all must take And each must go alone. It's all part of the Maker's plan, A step on the road to Home. When you are lonely and sick at heart Go to the friends we know, & bury your sorrows In doing good deeds Miss me, but let me go



Lovingly Remembering

Maria "Marianne" Hirose

May 9, 1955 — January 1, 2023



Maria "MARIANNE" HIROSE, the beloved wife of Takao "Tak" Hirose, of Picture Butte, passed away with her family at her side on Sunday, January 1st, 2023, at the age of 67 years.

Besides her loving husband Tak, she is survived by one son, Stephen Hirose of Lethbridge, two Kimiko daughters, (Michael) Oliver Lethbridge, Naomi (Nick) Graff of Strathmore, one daughter-in-law Gwen (Lutz) Hirose of Coaldale, eight grandchildren: Kelsey, Liam and Caitlyn Oliver, Jaxon and Benjamin Hirose, and Luke, Norah, and Roman Graff, three brothers, John (Agnes) deJong of Brooks, Tom (Patsy) deJong of Brooks and Brian (Terri) deJong of Brooks, two sisters, Linda (Kelly) Dube of Brooks and Annette deJong of Brooks. Marianne is also survived by her mother, Anne DeJong of Brooks. She was predeceased by her father Ted deJong.

Her love of life and people touched the lives of all those who knew her. Her quiet courage, strong faith, creativity and sense of humor will be carried forward by those who knew and loved her. Prayer Service

St. Catherine's Roman Catholic Church 762 Crescent Avenue North, Picture Butte, AB Friday, January 6, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Officiating - Father Ian Gagne

Musical Selections

Peace Prayer Hail Mary Gentle Woman

Funeral Mass

St. Catherine's Roman Catholic Church 762 Crescent Avenue North, Picture Butte, AB Saturday, January 7, 2023 at 11:00 AM

Celebrant - Father Ian Gagne Pianist - Laurel Van Vaerenbergh Accompanied by Jim Robinson and St. Catherine's Choir

Musical Selections

Enertance: Grace Flows Down
Offertory: Parable
Communion: Here at This Table
Meditation: Above All
Commendation of the Body:
Songs of the Angels
Recessional: Companions of the Journey

Readings

Isaiah 61:1-3 (John de Jong)
Psalm 25 (Jim Robinson)
Romans 6:3-9 (Linda Dube)
John 14:1-6 (Father Ian Gagne)
Prayers of the Faithful
(Kimiko Oliver, Stephen Hirose,
and Naomi Graff)

Reception

Friends and family are invited to further share this day in the St. Catherine's Church Hall

Interment

Following the reception, Marianne will be laid to rest in Royal View Cemetery

Honorary Pallbearers

Tom deJong - Stephen Hirose

Pallbearers

John deJong — Brian deJong — Yuki Nagoya Nick Graff — Mike Oliver — Kelly Dube