

She was so excited welcoming each grandchild and embracing each one with unconditional love, treasuring every moment with them, making sure they always felt extra special.

In recent years, her great-grandchildren brought many warm smiles and much joy to her eyes when words became difficult for her to speak. Mom's sincere and humble way, her gracious and kind spirit, her wisdom and insight, and her love and devotion to family and the greater good, will be in our hearts always.

Marion was predeceased by her husband Allan, her parents, her siblings: Pat, Sue, Tommy and Fred, and many of Allan's family members through the years.

Marion's legacy continues with her five children and their families: David (Karen) Hanna, their children (Connor, Erik); Don (Sharon), their children (Kate, Kieran, Mac); Mark (Holly) their child Cory; Laurel (Greg) Van Vaerenbergh, their children Chelsey (Scott) Slomp, (son Colson) Brittany (Cale) Hubka, (sons, Gray and Nova), Kimberly (Ty) Bodnar (children, Bo, Benny & Maeve), and Curtis (Stephanie) Van Vaerenbergh (daughter, Blake); Wade (Karen), their children, Trevor (Madison, baby boy soon to arrive), Taylor (Morgan, baby soon to arrive) Eaton.

She is also survived by sisters-in-law, Doreen Youngens, Fonda Hanna and Rosalie Hanna and many, many nieces, nephews and their families.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Marion's "family" at Piyami Lodge/Place and Dr Mohammed for the loving care provided to Mom throughout the years. Thank you very much to Cornerstone for their personal and professional care. We are most grateful to all.

But Once

I shall pass through
this world but once.
Any good therefore
that I can do --
or any kindness
that I can show.
To any human being,
let me do it now.
Let me not defer
nor neglect it,
for I shall not pass
this way again.



Honoured to serve the family of Marion Hanna

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Forever In Our Hearts

Marion Hanna

June 26, 1929 — November 22, 2023

Funeral Service

Trinity United Church
528 Maple Crescent Picture Butte, Alberta
Monday, November 27, 2023 at 1:00 P.M.

Officiant — Pastor Glenda Wert

Pianist — Katherine Jakober

Guest Book Attendants - Linda Ellefson and Pam Vogt

Order of Service

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

Hymn # 703 In the Bulb There is a Flower

Eulogy and Memories: Sharon and Karen Hanna

Scripture: Psalm 23 Sung by Nicki Murray,

Stephanie Van Vaerenbergh

Austen Murray, Colten Murray

1 Corinthians 13

Words of Comfort

Hymn# 684 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Music: Sing You Home Nicki Murray

Announcements and Words of Farewell

Commendation

Hymn#163 MV River Running in You and Me

Blessing

Reception

Following the Funeral Service,
family and friends are invited to further
share this day at The Chop House.

234 Hwy Avenue North, Picture Butte

Graveside Service

A private family Graveside Service was held
prior to the Funeral Service at Archmount Cemetery.

After 94 years that was beautifully lived, Mom passed calmly and peacefully as the sun set on November 22, 2023.

MARION SYLVIA HANNA (née Johnson) was born at the family farm near Lindbergh, Alberta on June 26, 1929. She was welcomed lovingly by her parents, Thomas Robert and Marion Kathleen (Wolfe) Johnson. Along with her four siblings, the close-knit family shared in the hard work of pioneer farming life through the depression years yet enjoyed picnics at Whitney Lake, times with extended family, literature, classical music, and learning at every opportunity. Mom always felt she had a very blessed childhood and loved her family dearly.

With a keen mind and exceptional organizational skills, Marion had the opportunity to attend the University of Alberta where she pursued Education. Her first position was in a one-room school responsible for all grades in a remote community near Spirit River. Although she was very young, her dedication to teaching was bar none. Her love, compassion and understanding of children and her desire to help them reach their potential was immeasurable. Her teaching ethic continued throughout her career and touched many young lives which is evident even today by past students (and student teachers) who still recall and share the impact and supportive influence mom had on their lives. Marion taught in the communities of Bonanza, Westlock, Ponoka, Diamond City, Lethbridge, Shaughnessy, and Picture Butte.

After accepting the teaching position in Diamond City, Marion met her loving life partner, Allan Hanna. They were married on March 31, 1956, and five children (and many pets) soon followed.

Marion gained a very large, very close and "lively" extended family with the Hanna clan. Many family gatherings were shared over the years. Mom played an integral role in keeping family and friends connected, always welcoming and hosting many gatherings. So many wonderful memories for us!

In her quiet and unassuming way, Marion gave back freely to her loved community of Picture Butte; School teacher, Adult literacy teacher, Sunday school teacher, Library board member, Church board member, Meals on Wheels volunteer, Pastoral care volunteer, and the list goes on.

The Picture Butte Trinity United Church family had an extra special place in Mom's heart. She was a committed and active member of Trinity and had many close friendships whom she cherished dearly.

Mom had remarkable insight into recognizing the needs of others. In her quiet way, she would reach out to many throughout the years. This showed through her role as a teacher, through her connection with friends and neighbours but mostly as our mom and Gram.