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Celebrating the Life of *Berniece Pavan*

September 18, 1936 - April 15, 2022

After a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's we're sad and a little relieved that Mom, Grandma, Great Grandma Berniece passed away peacefully on April 15th with her family by her side. We're happy that she'll be reunited with Benny (1934-2011) the love of her life.

Mom was born and raised in Lethbridge and was the third eldest of eleven Soltys kids. When she married Benny in 1955, he was one of seven children so both families grew considerably. Mom was always busy whether it was cooking up a storm on the farm, raising kids, golf, adventures with Dorothy and Robert Olshaski, visiting her sister Jean Gillie, knitting, Knights of Columbus activities and adventures, the CWL, fishing and family time at Duck Lake, making Ukrainian Easter eggs, reading, cross stitch, travelling with the Old Timers hockey team or just having a coffee and watching humming birds at the Lake.

Mom was never happier than when she was around her children, grandkids and great grandkids. Even in her last days when she had little recognition of others the boisterous sounds of great grandkids on FaceTime got her attention. Her grandkids knew that Grandma always loved spending time with them whether for their yearly birthday date, one on one time at Duck Lake, camping in the River Bottom on Labour Day weekend or making them spaghetti on Halloween.

Our family always looked up to Grandma and Grandpa for living their best lives, never shying away from a trip or an adventure. As empty nesters they made sure they had no regrets.

Mom is survived by her children Linda, Leroy (Sandra) and Lorne (Teri "Scooter"), her grandchildren Alix (Tyler) Hirsche, Arin (Bub) Lathen, Aric (Micah), Alison (Allan) Schneider, Alan (Britnee), Andin (Kenzie), Ariel (Rob) Olsen, Hannah (Lucas) Neufeld, Devin (Mac Karl), 23 great grandchildren, her sister Jean Gillie and brother Danny Soltys.

We are thankful for the staff at Good Samaritans, Park Meadows for all they did for Mom during her long stay. We are especially grateful for the care givers in Cottage 6 who looked after Mom with such care and dignity. Your kindness will not be forgotten.

Please find it in your heart to make a donation to the Alzheimer Society and let's eradicate this disease that steals our loved ones twice.

If you knew Mom, take a moment today to reflect on a happy memory of her that makes you smile.

Funeral Mass

St. Basil's Catholic Church
604 - 13th Street North, Lethbridge, AB
Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at 10:00 AM

Celebrant - Father Kevin Tumback
Organist - Cheryl Hudak
Soloist - Nicki Murray

Readings

First - Ecclesiastes 3:1-11a - Bill Tymensen
Psalm 23
Second - Timothy 4:6-8 - Myrna Tymensen
Gospel - John 12:23-28

Hymns

Processional - *Morning Has Broken*
Communion - *Taste And See*
Meditation - *Ave Maria*
Recessional - *This Is The Day*

Interment

Following the Mass, Berniece will be laid to rest with her beloved Benny in the Royal View Memorial Cemetery

Pallbearers

Aric Pavan Alan Pavan Andin Pavan
Hannah Neufeld Devin Pavan Parks Hirsche

Honourary Pallbearers

Alix Hirsche Arin Lathen Alison Schneider Ariel Olsen

Following the Interment, a private family gathering will be held