



Mrs. G. Ann Harris

May 30, 1944 - November 30, 2021

Love is who she was.

Mrs. G. Ann Harris (nee Butcher) age 77 of High River passed peacefully in the presence of her loving family on November 30, 2021 at the High River Hospital.

Ann was born in Calgary on May 30, 1944, the second daughter of Bob and Margaret Butcher. The family moved to High River where Ann and her dear sister, Donna, were part of the downtown kids gang. Ann began to form friendships with the “Sentimental Six” which she cherished and maintained her whole life long. These same grade-school girlfriends went on cruises and celebrated their 70th birthdays together touring Catalina Island.

Ann discovered a love of horses through her good friend, Patty Moshenross (nee Jenkins), who gave her a lifetime of memories driving cattle from west of Cayley to south of Turner Valley. At 16, Ann worked for the Morrison family on their farm at Tongue Creek, cooking, cleaning and looking after children. Travelling the countryside with her wonderful Dad delivering fuel in the UFA truck, she acquired knowledge of the farms of the foothills and the families who lived there. Ann often reflected on her high school years and Teen Town dances at the Memorial Centre in High River as the best time and place to be a teenager. She loved the music, the fashion, but most of all the cars! One day, near the end of high school, a beautiful, white 1960 Pontiac Convertible rolled up in front of the high school. Its driver was a handsome, dark-haired Turner Valley cowboy named Lorne Harris. Ann and her SS pals hopped in and her heart was lost to him forever. After high school Ann worked for Dick Liddell at Hi-Altá Agencies where her connections to the High River community deepened; she knew everyone in town.

Ann and Lorne were married on August 15, 1964 and set off to Kamloops, BC during the construction boom to begin to build their life together. There they set up roots and forged many life-long friendships, including our much loved Seven Evans. Ten years and four kids later, High River called them home again.

Ann took a job at the bottle depot and stepped fully into her role as hockey mom. Hockey provided an even deeper connection to community. In 1985 she started working at the Pioneer Credit Union and she treasured her friendships with the Credit Union staff. Members were greeted by her warm smile for close to 20 years.

Ann simply loved her hometown and the people in it. "I just love High River" she would say. She often spoke of her appreciation for Dr. Keith Spackman, Dr. Ron Gorsche, and in her last years Dr. Lee Rehak. Ann was also grateful to the staff at the High River Hospital for the tremendous care she and Lorne received over the years.

It didn't matter the venue or event, Ann was happiest when her family was together. Her most cherished time of year was Christmas. She made her own beautiful bows and wrapped every gift with love. There was no mistaking which ones were from Gramma.

Ann never wanted to miss her kids' or grandkids' hockey games, cheering loudly and proudly for all at every game. She also loved attending football and baseball games, 4H events, dance competitions, plays and performances. She was everyone's biggest fan. Ann loved music and when the family got together, they got out their guitars. She never missed a note.

Ann's genuine smile, happiness and positivity were profoundly infectious. A short visit with her could completely change your day. And whether people knew Ann for five minutes or 50 years, she made you feel cared for and important.

When her beloved Lorne passed on Canada Day 2019 Ann's health began to decline. In spite of a multitude of health issues, she never lost hope. Ann was steadfast in her love for her family and her community. Her bright light is carried on by her sons Gerald (Lori), Kenny (Roxanna), Keith (Terri); her daughter Loree (John); her grandchildren Braeden, Coleton, Jake, Evan, Tate, Andie, Jackson, Carter, Katie, Will, Sophie and Sarah and also her "number four son" Mark Egeland (Sue) and Hunter.

In lieu of flowers, Ann would wish you and your family to enjoy something wonderful together at Christmas. 

A Celebration of Ann's Life was held on Monday, December 6th at 4:00 p.m. at the Highwood Memorial Centre in High River.

A video recording of Ann's service is available on her Tribute Page at www.lylereeves.com

Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass)
403.652.4242.

Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



Lyle Reeves Funerals - December 01, 2021 at 03:03 PM



“ I just loved your mom I am so sorry to hear of her passing

Sheila Storoschuk - December 01, 2021 at 07:30 PM



“ My condolences go to all the family. Your mom was a wonderful lady. Always kind and thoughtful. Sorry to hear of her passing .

lynda cowling - December 02, 2021 at 04:43 PM



“ I am sorry to hear of Ann's passing. She was such a dear and loving lady. Keep all the wonderful memories in your hearts. I will be keeping all the family in my thoughts and prayers. (Unfortunately I am out of the country during the celebrations)

Debb McLaren - December 02, 2021 at 07:54 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. She was beautiful soul

C Black - December 03, 2021 at 12:36 AM



“ Sorry for your loss. My condolences to your family.

Kevin - December 03, 2021 at 11:50 AM



“ So sorry to hear of Ann's passing. She was always a ray of sunshine. Please accept our deepest sympathy. Don and Joanne McCuaig.

Don and Joanne McCuaig - December 03, 2021 at 12:35 PM



“ One of the best friends ever, good times and good memories.
Condolences to the family.

Joe and Sheila Fleury

Sheila Fleury - December 06, 2021 at 03:27 PM



“ Wow what a service, so glad it is being live streamed as I sit here ugly crying! Amazing celebration for an amazing lady/ Well done everyone xo

Annaleis Armstrong - December 06, 2021 at 07:25 PM



“ We are sending our love and thoughts to all of you. Ann was an incredible person, who had the most genuine smile, she always made you feel so welcome. She will be missed. Thank you for sharing the service with all of us, who could not be there in person.

Don and Kathy Davidson

Kathy and Don Davidson - December 06, 2021 at 07:56 PM



“ Today heaven gained the brightest of lights
Her smile lit up the darkest of nights

Her presence made you feel like you'd come home

When life created turmoil she was always the calm
I can hear her voice say "oh honey it'll be ok
She always knew the right words to say
Now she's in the arms of her one true love
They're holding hands and smiling down from up above

tammy franzman - December 06, 2021 at 08:02 PM



“ I was saddened to hear of Ann's passing, I will miss her phone calls, cheerful voice, and laughter. My condolences to all the Harris family

Roberta Rogers - December 08, 2021 at 03:40 PM



“ Gramma Harris was an amazing person with a smile that made everyone feel welcome. We will miss seeing her at the hockey rinks!
The Rusznak family

Rob Rusznak - December 17, 2021 at 05:06 PM



“ The most genuine, loving lady! Sorry to hear of her passing. My sincerest condolences.

Bobbi Jo Sharrock

Bobbi Jo Sharrock - December 07, 2021 at 12:29 PM



“ To the Harris family. I'm so sorry to hear about the passing of Ann. She was always so nice and a smile whenever I saw her.



Cathy Bradley - December 07, 2021 at 11:34 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Lyle Reeves Funerals - December 06, 2021 at 11:35 PM



“ Bonnie and I have been privileged to have known your Mom since 2012. The picture says it all- sparkling eyes, big smile, positive & cheerful disposition. She was so proud of her family and it was so good to see the family have many get-togethers. All of you are doing so well in carrying on the family legacy. We truly miss our dear neighbour and friend.
Wayne and Bonnie Kaut

Wayne Kaut - December 06, 2021 at 05:00 PM



“ Annie was such a beautiful person, I enjoyed working with her at the Credit Union years ago. She will be missed by so many.

Kellie Beal - December 06, 2021 at 04:04 PM



“ Renee Dubeau lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Renee Dubeau - December 06, 2021 at 12:33 PM



“ Darryl, Kelly, Evangeline and Hannah. We're so sorry for your loss. Everytime we saw Auntie Ann, she had that amazing smile. She always looked so happy. I think she loved having a house full of family and friends and always made everyone feel at home. She will be missed dearly. The Bensons

Darryl Benson - December 06, 2021 at 11:28 AM



“ Dwayne,Diane Krauss And Boys lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Dwayne,Diane Krauss and boys - December 05, 2021 at 10:39 PM



“ Ann's home and heart were always open and always greeted you with a smile. She be terribly missed,sorry for the loss of a loving caring soul. Dwayne Diane, and all the Krauss family

Dwayne,Diane Krauss and boys - December 05, 2021 at 10:47 PM



“ Your Mom was such a special person, she always lit up the room with her warmth. Treasure the wonderful memories you have, she was a bright & shining star.



Karen Hart - December 05, 2021 at 01:11 PM



“ JoAnne Dubeau lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



JoAnne Dubeau - December 05, 2021 at 12:57 PM



“ Your mom made everyone who met her feel like they were part of the family. We feel privileged to have known her! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Love Grant and Elaine Pilla



Elaine Pilla - December 04, 2021 at 08:40 PM



“ I remember Ann's kindness and her wonderful smile I did not see her often, but she will not be forgotten!

Lauren MacDonald - December 04, 2021 at 05:43 PM



“ Our deepest condolences to all the family. Ann was such a cheerful, loving, and caring person, always cheerful and made one feel welcome. Every gathering and visit was full of happiness and laughs - often with a joke to tell. Visits often meant a card game and she was very competitive, occasionally 'letting us win'. She loved her family dearly and left a wonderful lasting legacy. She will be thoroughly missed but remembered always.

Al & Millie Benson

Al Benson - December 04, 2021 at 03:04 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss.

Judy Nielsen - December 04, 2021 at 08:31 AM



“ Lorna Schultz lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Lorna Schultz - December 03, 2021 at 11:47 PM



“ Russ & Sharon Watkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Russ & Sharon Watkins - December 03, 2021 at 02:19 PM



“ Our deepest sympathies to each of you. Your Mom was the most amazingly positive person I think I've ever met and that goes all the way back to high school where we were cheerleaders together! Such fun and much love always when Annie was around! You will always celebrate your Mom's life, just as she would want you to, and feel her love always.

The Walsh Family, Linda , Jillian and Geoff



Linda Walsh - December 03, 2021 at 01:24 PM



“ Bill & Karen Stevenson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Bill & Karen Stevenson - December 03, 2021 at 10:17 AM



“ A bright light has gone out on this earth. Ann was always so cheerful and positive and brought a smile to everyone's faces. She will be missed.

Dianne Liddell - December 03, 2021 at 10:07 AM



“ Ann was a beautiful lady with genuine kindness for everyone and such a deep love for all her family. Praying for you all as you mourn loss of your mom and grandma.

Cindy (Flaig) Atkins - December 03, 2021 at 07:17 AM



“ Such an amazing woman! This obituary says it all. I will miss her dearly.
Natalie



Natalie Setoguchi - December 03, 2021 at 06:23 AM



“ John & Louise Barlow lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



John & Louise Barlow - December 03, 2021 at 03:11 AM



“ Gerald, Kenny, Keith, Loree and families. Thinking of you all as you grieve the loss of your much-loved Mom and Grandma.

Shannon Laycraft - December 03, 2021 at 01:04 AM



“ Diane Porter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Diane Porter - December 02, 2021 at 11:55 PM



“ Tanya Suitor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Tanya Suitor - December 02, 2021 at 11:51 PM



“ My deepest condolences and love to Ann’s family. Annie made me a better person just knowing her. She was always there with the best hugs when you needed one. It was impossible to be unhappy or depressed around her as she had a way of making everyone smile and feel joy in the darkest day. I will miss her and know that everyone who ever met her will too. Rest In Peace my dear friend and hug Lorne for me too.



Anna-Marie Plante - December 02, 2021 at 11:08 PM



“ Eunice Schmuland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Eunice Schmuland - December 02, 2021 at 10:51 PM



“ The Gratrix Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



The Gratrix Family - December 02, 2021 at 10:40 PM



“ Ann was an amazing lady ... always happy and cheerful ... a delight to be around anytime and a treasure to work with ... she'll be sorely missed by friends and family but will be remembered forever... she's once again with the love of her life looking down at all of us smiling ... my heartfelt condolences to the family



Carol Lyall - December 02, 2021 at 10:19 PM



“ Karyn Conradson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Karyn Conradson - December 02, 2021 at 10:19 PM



“ Shawn And Lana Ottewell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Shawn and Lana Ottewell - December 02, 2021 at 09:44 PM



“ Many happy times spent together as families up and down the hockey trail. Mrs. Harris always had a kind smile and warm hug for all those she met. She was as kind as they come and that infectious smile will live on eternally! She was one of a precious few, and so kind, the world and our communities are better because of her care, love and support. Our thoughts and prayers surround you all in a big hug.
The Mosby Family

Chrissy Mosby - December 02, 2021 at 08:38 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Ann was always smiling, always friendly and kind. My prayers are the Harris family.



Patricia - December 02, 2021 at 08:32 PM



“ Darrell Groeneveld lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Darrell Groeneveld - December 02, 2021 at 08:29 PM



“ Tammy Beach lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Tammy Beach - December 02, 2021 at 08:08 PM



“ Wally & Kirsten Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Wally & Kirsten Smith - December 02, 2021 at 08:05 PM



“ Carol Tucker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Carol Tucker - December 02, 2021 at 07:34 PM



“ Terina Cybulski lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Terina Cybulski - December 02, 2021 at 06:56 PM



“ Always, always, always with the 1000 watt smile. Such a lovely person 🤔

Merridell Richardson - December 02, 2021 at 05:20 PM



“ I am not sure that I ever saw Mrs. Harris without a big smile on her face, she could most certainly brighten up your day. My deepest sympathy to the Harris family. Cathy

Cathy Couey - December 02, 2021 at 05:20 PM



“ Heartfelt condolences to all the Harris families...keeping you in our thoughts and prayers!



Ron & Ann Weston - December 02, 2021 at 04:48 PM



“ Eric & Lea Sorkilmo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Eric & Lea Sorkilmo - December 02, 2021 at 04:35 PM



“ Donna Gregg lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Donna Gregg - December 02, 2021 at 11:44 AM



“ Ann was a lovely lady. I first got to know her making the daily deposits for the Cooperators at the Crest Union. Then I moved onto 15 th street, and she became my neighbor. She was the sweetest person I have ever known, so kind and always smiling, always so proud of her family, she was a real gem. My sincerest condolences to her family during such a difficult time

Donna Gregg - December 02, 2021 at 11:43 AM



“ Sincerest condolences to all of Ann's children, grandchildren, extended family and friends. I dearly loved Annie and will forever cherish my time working with her at the Credit Union. Her lovely smile, laugh and genuinely sweet personality and respect for others leave such a legacy for all that she served and had the blessing of calling her a friend.
I smile in the comfort that is now reunited with her sweet Lorne.

Heather Pearl - December 02, 2021 at 10:52 AM



“ Such a wonderful lady. My condolences to the Harris family.



Sherry Whitford - December 02, 2021 at 08:59 AM



“ Rosemary Derbecker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Rosemary Derbecker - December 02, 2021 at 08:34 AM



“ Gerald, Kenny, Loree and Keith my sincere condolences on the loss of your mom. She had a way of making you feel like she had been waiting just to see you, and that you made her day by showing up, wherever that was! I know she will be greatly missed and forever in your hearts. Peace be with you all.

Ann Holmes Zirk - December 01, 2021 at 11:54 PM



“ Dear dear Ann. Always a smile on her face and such a gentle disposition. Blessings to each member of her family. Rest well Ann

Connie Lorraine Jewell - December 01, 2021 at 09:45 PM



“ Our deepest condolences to the Harris family. You are all in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.



sherry macrae - December 01, 2021 at 09:37 PM



“ Julie McNiven lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Julie McNiven - December 01, 2021 at 07:41 PM



“ Pat Orritt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Pat Orritt - December 01, 2021 at 07:33 PM



“ My condolences to the Harris families. Ann was a wonderful lady, I loved working with her at the Credit Union. She will be missed.

Pat Orritt - December 01, 2021 at 07:34 PM



“ Rusty & Fran Wong lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Rusty & Fran Wong - December 01, 2021 at 05:31 PM



“ Geri And Al Polanchek lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Geri and Al Polanchek - December 01, 2021 at 04:20 PM



“ Ann was a loving, caring woman who always gave the best smiles. Ann was the Credit Union. She will always be remembered for her kind and generous jesters. Please know, the Harris family is in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.



Gerry and Glenda Cutforth - December 01, 2021 at 12:09 PM



“ Charlene Malmberg lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Charlene Malmberg - December 01, 2021 at 10:58 AM



“ Jane Russell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Jane Russell - December 01, 2021 at 10:51 AM



“ Callahan Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



Callahan Family - December 01, 2021 at 10:17 AM



“ To all the Harris family. Mom, grandma, friend, wonderful lady, and as I remember her best!!

She put the 'credit' in Credit Union, with her smile and caring ways. Thank you Annie, you are the blessing to all who knew your love and kindness.



karen crawford - December 01, 2021 at 09:56 AM



“ I experience Anne as such a Kind Loving gift. Here genuine desire to help support and people shone through with every intersection. So Much love and healing energy to Your family.

Jody - December 01, 2021 at 02:05 PM



“ To the Harris family!! Our condolences to you for your mom's passing. But how nice that she and your dad have been reunited again. Your mom was one wonderful, caring, very family oriented lady, a genuine 'lady' in every sense of the word. Keep her memories close, Loree and family.

Much love from the Baksza family

Fran Baksza - December 01, 2021 at 03:19 PM



“ Gerald, Kenny, Keith and Loree and families,

So saddened at the loss of your mom. She was one of a kind.

She was so loved and will be so missed.

Sending special thoughts to all.

Love

Auntie Carol

Carol Tucker - December 02, 2021 at 07:33 PM



“ Much love to you all from the Cross Family. We will miss your smile Auntie Ann!!

Barry Cross - December 06, 2021 at 07:42 PM



“ Sheila Storoschuk lit a candle in memory of Mrs. G. Ann Harris



sheila storoschuk - December 01, 2021 at 08:04 AM



“ We have all lost someone very special. As a Family you all have much to be proud of! A great lady.

Marcia Bain (nee Robertson) - December 08, 2021 at 07:39 PM