



Mrs. Andrea Marjorie Fenton

August 5, 1943 - January 18, 2026

It is with profound sadness that we share the remarkable journey of our vibrant mother, Andrea Marjorie Fenton, who peacefully transitioned to eternal life on Sunday, January 18, 2026—on her beloved mother’s heavenly birthday—marking a long-awaited reunion.

Her unwavering courage in her final weeks was a testament to her unshakeable spirit. Andrea’s radiant charm, sharp wit, and rare ability to connect deeply with others will be forever cherished by all who knew her.

Andrea was born on August 5, 1943, in Saltcoats, Ayrshire, Scotland. She was the eldest of two children born to Andrew and Mary (née Cowan) Cunningham. Her father came to Canada first to establish a new life for his family, and in June 1951, Andrea immigrated with her mother and younger sister, Isabel, aboard the SS Georgic. They arrived in New York City before travelling by train to Montreal, eventually settling in Cornwall, Ontario.

Andrea married her high school sweetheart, Charles Richard “Dick” Fenton, on August 4, 1965, in Sudbury, Ontario. They shared 59 devoted years together and were blessed with two children, Erin and Andrew.

In the stylish era of the 1960s—when roller sets and back-combed hair were considered truly bougie—Andrea was a busy licensed hairstylist of that era.

As Andrea and Dick started a family and he pursued his career in policing, first with the OPP in Napanee, Ontario, and later joining the RCMP, their family transferred and moved frequently throughout Alberta. Andrea then transitioned into retail, a field that suited her outgoing nature and allowed her to quickly build meaningful connections in every community they called home. Andrea's independent spirit and desire to be known simply as "Andrea"—not just as "the Mountie's wife"—was a testament to her authenticity and confidence! She met people exactly where they were, without judgment, and genuinely loved getting to know her colleagues and customers.

After Dick's retirement from the RCMP, Andrea continued working, finding what she called her "temple" during her many cherished years working at Sheena Sweets 'n Such in High River.

Andrea was predeceased by her parents, Andrew and Mary Cunningham; her parents-in-law, Charles and Mabel (née Youngs) Fenton; stepmother-in-law Violet (née McMurray) Fenton; her beloved husband, Dick Fenton; her son, Andrew Fenton; and her brothers-in-law Kevin Murray, Mark Kaus, John (Jack) Fenton, and Gary Paulson. She leaves to mourn her loving daughter, Erin Fenton, and her treasured grandson, Evan Salisbury, whom she adored beyond measure. She is also lovingly remembered by her sister, Isabel Murray, with whom she spoke daily; Isabel's children, Shauna and Sean; her brothers- and sisters-in-law Charlene (John) Toplensky, Shauna Fenton, Edie Kaus, Carol (Miles) Maerz, and Murray (Judy) Fenton; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Special gratitude is extended to the compassionate staff at Claresholm Hospital and the Nanton Fire and EMS, whose exceptional care Andrea praised effusively. Heartfelt thanks are also offered to family and friends for their unwavering support, visits, and kindness, which brought great comfort during this time.

A Celebration of Life will be held on February 7, 2026, at Lyle Reeves Funeral Home in High River, Alberta. This will be a come-and-go gathering from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., where stories will be shared and Andrea's life—so well lived—will be remembered with humour and love.

A Graveside Service at St. Lawrence Union Cemetery in Long Sault, Ontario, will be held in June 2026.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Claresholm Health Foundation: www.cdhealth.ca

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

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

FEB 7. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lyle Reeves Funerals created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Andrea Marjorie Fenton*



Lyle Reeves Funerals - February 05 at 12:02 PM

GA

I lost the video after your story about getting them to take her in the truck.. I was glad to hear all the stories. I knew most of them. I remembered how we joined everything like tennis lessons and dancing. We took jazz and ballet and tap we really just wanted the tap as we had hoped to get the shoes. We wanted to click them on the floor! Shardlow taught us aerobics and we loved to do that to Your love has lifted me higher and of course YMCA Thanks for sharing all the memories everyone . She was a great person loved by all who met her!!!

Gail - February 07 at 10:17 PM

JS

“ *Hi Erin
I am so very sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to you and your family. I didn't have the honour of knowing your Mum but she raised a really amazing daughter.
Hugs Jan*

Jan Stenschke - February 07 at 11:53 AM

GA

“ I remember when we went to the drugstore and I saw these expensive sunglasses. I wanted them but they were expensive. They had "diamonds" on either side of the lense. Andrea said oh to heck buy them and feed them hamburger for the rest of the week. Hamburger was cheap in those days.

Gail - February 05 at 11:37 AM

MA

“ Marcia Ayrey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Andrea Marjorie Fenton



Marcia Ayrey - February 05 at 10:29 AM

IM

“ There are no words to express the depth of my sorrow. I've not only lost my big sister I've lost my best friend,my confidant and the one who encouraged me. I'll try my best to make you proud,yes I'll finally do something with that hair! I'll keep being the dancing queen on girls night out and you will always be Forever Young! Fly high with the angels!

Isabel Murray - February 05 at 09:14 AM

AS

“ Andrea was such a positive caring life force. Will miss her bright beautiful eyes, her laughter, her hugs, her most fabulous outfits, sparkly nails, her joy for life and compassion for others. She truly was a treasure to many especially all at Sheena’s Sweets n’ Such. I’m sending caring hugs to her family and all who knew this most wonderful woman.



Anne Scappaticci - February 02 at 11:52 AM

GA

“ I have so many memories after 47 years of friendship with your mom. If i was down I could call her and we would always end up laughing. We would say if we were down just a phone call would bring our spirits up. The memories keep coming in my mind and she is missed so much.

Gail - January 29 at 11:49 AM

CD

“ Erin I am so sorry for your loss . Your mom was an amazing person I remember meeting you at the saan store in 1997 . She was so proud of you. Always a friend I know I kept her on her toes but never did she judge me but she had a crazy side one of her favorite concert was Rod Stewart. I moved to Texas when my mom got sick she went to visit her felt like I was there I could go on about the wonderful things she did . She always joked that they would miss her when she's gone I will miss her dearly Go get those wings my friend I'm sure they are golden you deserve no less 🌹

Charlette (Alcock) Duke - January 29 at 12:11 AM

ER

“ *Mamma, you are so missed. I couldn't have hand picked a better mum than you. Your wit, poise, spunky spirited style and the way you connected in heart with others is such a credit to the beautiful resilient woman that I got to call mum. Grateful that to have been raised with purpose and on purpose. Until we meet again, go rest high on that mountain. I know why those mountains always are calling me. Love you forever mamma, Erin*



Erin - January 28 at 10:15 PM