



Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke

July 15, 1922 - October 8, 2021

Annie Edith Winnifred Burke (Hicklin) of High River, passed away at the High River Hospital on Friday, October 8, at the age of 99 years. In her last few days, she was surrounded by the love of family and passed with grace when God called her home.

Edith Burke is survived by her daughter Donna Tanner, her two grandsons Jordan (Heather) Tanner, and Nicholas (Amanda) Tanner, along with her four great grandchildren; Seren, Reid, Charlotte, and Robyn. She was predeceased by two husbands: Everett Hicklin, and Ernest Burke, and more recently by her son Dennis Hicklin. She is also survived by Dennis's daughter Christine.

Edith was born to Hugh and Ellen McArthur on July 15, 1922, in Whitewood Saskatchewan. The McArthur family headed North in 1928 to homestead in the Peace Country where they lived off the land for several years. After Hugh's passing, Ellen married Clarence MacEachern and they eventually settled in High River. Edith followed suit in 1946 at the age of 24. She worked as a Ward Aid in the old High River Hospital, until she married Everett Hicklin in 1953. She and Everett raised their two children Donna and Dennis in High River, and Edith eventually returned to work in the dietary wing of the hospital for 20 years. Upon retiring she rallied with her minister and opened the first Salvation Army Thrift Store in the community. Edith remarried after Everett's

passing (1976) to Ernest Burke. The two of them shared many happy moments together in retirement until his departure in 1995. She remained in High River in her own apartment until a couple weeks after her 99th birthday this July.

Edith will be remembered for her devotion to the Salvation Army Church and unwavering dedication to ringing the kettle bells every Christmas season. She officially retired after the 2019 season at the age of 97. She loved baking and continuously supplied baked goods to her children, grandchildren, friends, and church family. She kept her daughter's freezer stocked full of delicious eats while her kids were growing up. She always sent a stacked parcel to her son on the coast for the holidays and special occasions. Edith kept a positive mindset through the many ups and downs that spanned her 99 year stay on earth; "Never looked back, life goes on..." as she wrote in her 1999 story of her life. Edith and her entire family are forever grateful to all those in her community who enriched her life with acts of kindness and loving care; High River Handi-Bus staff, Hospital staff, Westwinds staff, Soderberg House neighbours, and her many friends in High River's amazing community.

A private interment will be held at the High River Cemetery at a later date.

If you wish to honour Edith's legacy, please consider donating to the High River Salvation Army in lieu of flowers (119 Centre St SE, High River, AB T1V 1R7).

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

Tribute Wall

LK

“ *Linda Koler lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke*



Linda Koler - November 07, 2021 at 09:44 PM

LA

“ *Dear Donna and family: We are very sorry to hear about your mother's passing. Our thoughts are with you at this sad time. Don and Lana*



Lana - October 22, 2021 at 05:42 PM

CB

“ *Donna and family. I'm so sorry to hear about your mom's passing. She was so friendly and kind from the time we all were kids. I always enjoyed our visits. Thinking of you-prayers*



Cathy Bradley

Cathy A Bradley - October 19, 2021 at 10:45 AM

BL

“ *Barbara Lloyd lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke*



barbara lloyd - October 19, 2021 at 05:19 AM

BL

Edith was a wonderful lady and a wonderful cousin. I will miss her.

barbara lloyd - October 22, 2021 at 11:53 AM

JG

“ *I was so very sorry to hear of the loss of Edith. She was a real lovely neighbour at Soderberg House. She will be dearly missed! Condolences to the family, from Judy Green.*

Judy Green - October 19, 2021 at 01:36 AM

CM

“ *Charlene Malmberg lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke*



Charlene Malmberg - October 18, 2021 at 10:58 AM

CT

“ *Cathy Tanner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke*



Cathy Tanner - October 17, 2021 at 10:59 PM

GC

“ Dear Donna, Jordan, Heather, Nicholas, Amanda and family, please know you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May your wonderful memories help ease your loss.



Gerry and Glenda Cutforth - October 17, 2021 at 08:37 PM

DH

“ Diane Williamson (nee Henderson) lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke



Diane Williamson (nee Henderson) - October 17, 2021 at 08:35 PM

LB

“ Louise Barlow lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke



Louise Barlow - October 16, 2021 at 01:15 AM

BG

“ Bev Gammel lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke



Bev Gammel - October 15, 2021 at 11:15 PM

MM

“ Donna and family - My sincere condolences on the passing of your mother Edith. I hope all of your memories of her will help you find peace.
Sincerely, Maureen Macleod

Maureen Macleod - October 15, 2021 at 07:02 PM

KC

“ Kathy Cuthbertson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke



Kathy Cuthbertson - October 15, 2021 at 02:58 PM

LC

“ Lynda Cowling lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke



lynda Cowling - October 15, 2021 at 02:45 PM

DG

“ Donna Gregg lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke



Donna Gregg - October 15, 2021 at 12:02 PM

HR

Sorry to hear of the passing of your mom Donna. She has lived a long good life. I will always remember working with her at the High River Hospital. She was always a good worker and good friend. My thoughts go out to you and family. Helen Robinson

Helen Robinson - October 16, 2021 at 01:35 PM

PZ

*“ Donna and family, we are so sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. She would always stop and say hi if you met her on the street. Cherish your memories they will help you through the tough day that lay ahead.
Sincerely Len and Pat Zebedee*

Pat Zebedee - October 14, 2021 at 05:04 PM

CJ

“ Sending sincere wishes to all of Edith's family. Another chink in my childhood memory. Blessings to each of you.

Connie Jewell - October 14, 2021 at 12:59 PM

TW

“ Donna and family...our sincere condolences on the loss of your mom. She was truly an amazing woman. I will miss the stories she would tell me about of the local mikman in town years ago ❤️❤️

Tracey Wilson - October 13, 2021 at 09:03 PM

DT

And the milkman was an amazing man. Thanks for your kind words.

Donna Tanner - October 13, 2021 at 10:34 PM

BP

“ *My deepest condolences to you. I have many memories of working with Edith at the High River Hospital.*



Barb(Flaterud) Pickering - October 13, 2021 at 07:34 PM

JS

“ *Donna and Family,
My thoughts and prayers are with each of you at this time of loss. Edith was a very special person who touched many lives through-out the years. I've known her since 1990, when I was appointed to the High River Salvation Army Church. Edith and I became good friends, not only while I was there, but through-out the years. I could always count on her to support our church activities, and often shared a meal. We had some great times and fun doing things and going places. She will be missed by so many; I will certainly miss our phone calls, cards, and visits when I was able to come to High River. May you all know the Comfort and Presence of God, and the assurance that Edith has taken her place in the Heavenly Father's House (John 14:1-3) It is the 'HOME NOT MADE BY HANDS' who like Edith have been Faithful..*

*Blessings Always,,
Joan Shayler
Major (RT.)*

Joan Shayler - October 13, 2021 at 07:25 PM

SD

“ Sheri Dwernychuk lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke



sheri dwernychuk - October 13, 2021 at 02:56 PM

RD

“ Rosemary Derbecker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke



Rosemary Derbecker - October 13, 2021 at 08:32 AM

RW

“ Richard Wakeford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie "Edith" Winnifred Burke



richard wakeford - October 13, 2021 at 07:29 AM

KS

“ Donna and family - my sincere condolences on the passing of your Mother. Her unwavering faith and love of God was what made her the person she was. I always enjoyed our visits when she would come in to the office. She was so positive about life, so sharp and always grateful for every day. What a legacy she left her family. Sincerely, Karen.

Karen E. Snodgrass - October 12, 2021 at 12:12 PM

JG

“ *Our sincere condolences to Donna and family, and to Edith’s extended church family and friends. Edith touched so many hearts of those who had the pleasure of knowing her.*

John & Deb Gross (Henderson)

John and Deb Gross - October 12, 2021 at 10:08 AM

SE

“ *Donna....our sincere condolences on the loss of your mom. She was truly an amazing woman...I so admired how, even in her later years, she was such an active member of the Salvation Army, helping others. She was so full of life and always remembered me even though our paths did not often cross. She lived a long, full life and you will have many happy memories. Thinking of you.*

Sue Ellis

Sue Ellis - October 11, 2021 at 10:56 AM