



Mrs. Beatrice "Bea" Margaret Leikam (née Greenwald)

December 11, 1942 - May 19, 2026

Beatrice (Bea) passed away in High River, Alberta on May 19, 2026 at the age of 83. She fought a very heroic and stoic battle against Lewy Body Dementia for the last eight years of her life.

Bea was born in Scott, Saskatchewan (SK) on December 11, 1942 and grew up on the family farm near Tako, SK - where in early years, she attended a one room schoolhouse. Mom later finished her schooling in Unity, SK.

Beatrice is survived by her husband (Ray Leikam) of 63 years and their four children - Kerry, Shelley (husband Ron Hamers), Darcy and Trezlie (husband Spencer Keith); three grandchildren (Aidan Keith, Quaid Hamers and Daely Keith); three brothers (Raymond, David, Christopher) and one sister (Veronica Hodgins). Bea was pre-deceased by her parents John Simon Greenwald and Rosalia Frances Greenwald (née Neigum).

Bea enjoyed a career as a Dental Assistant for Oral Surgeons in the city of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Her hobbies were bowling, curling, crossword puzzles and she had a talent for drawing. Mom planted a rink sized vegetable garden on their Balsam Crescent property for many years and was very passionate about hockey (knowing all the players and statistics). She always had a dog by her side and had a great love for horses. Mom continued to be surrounded by pictures of the prairies and watch hockey with her husband,

friends and the staff of Unit 200 in the High River Hospital.

Her greatest joy was spending time with her three grandchildren, who loved her very much.

The family would like to thank the dedicated staff at the High River Hospital Unit 200 for their caring and comfort throughout the past three years.

At the request of Bea, no service will be held. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Lewy Body Dementia Canada <https://alzheimer.ca/en/about-dementia/other-types-dementia/lewy-body-dementia>.

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

Tribute Wall

AB

“ My heartfelt condolences to Ray, Trezlie , Shelly and the rest of the family. Im so saddened for the loss of Bea. She is a beautiful soul, with that sweet smile and very dainty demeanor. Its an honor to take care of her from Seasons to Unit 200. She already been missed. Sending lots of love and prayers on this difficult time.



Angel Brausse - June 06 at 12:27 AM

LS

“ My heart is so heavy for you and all your family . I can't imagine how you are feeling . Remember we are all thinking of you at this sad time.

I too am remembering the early days but my favourite is a little later in life .

Alec and I , Ray and Beatrice , and Mom and Dad were all going to our cousin Cheryl's wedding. In Luseland ,SK.. We were all staying in our small travel trailer over about 4 to 5 days. Can you imagine 6 of us manoeuvring around one another to get ready for a wedding! Also the making up of the beds and settling down at night . We seemed to have the longest funniest good nights in history !(" Remember the Waltons "). Oh , the fun and laughs we had on that trip .

*We love you and hold you and the whole family in our hearts
Linda*

Linda Simpson - May 31 at 06:28 PM

AS

“ I keep remembering when we were young back in the day when Bea and Ray were dating. I remember when Ray had the best car in town and the best girl (Beatrice) in town. Such fond memories. Cruising up and down Main Street. Listening to the best music. Always glad to see Beatrice and Ray enjoying the time with such fondness for one another.

Alec Simpson - May 27 at 04:10 PM

DL

Thank you Alec, I share those fond memories as well. The two of them were teenage sweethearts who seemed to know "this is the one". Back then Ray probably thought I being 6 yrs. younger)was a little brother pest. However, sometimes when walking home from school, Beatrice would see me and offer me a ride, he'd stop and Beatrice let me in the Green 1953 2 door Hardtop V8 engine Ford. Sitting in the back seat the song "Running Bear" by Johnny Preston came on the radio and They whispered "that's our song" even though Beatrice sat so close to the driver you couldn't squeeze a toothpick between them. If "love at first sight" is measured by longevity, Ray & Bea. are a great example! Judy and I send our sincere condolences to Ray and Beatrices children, grandchildren & entire family.

Don Leikam - May 31 at 04:31 PM

DD

“ My thoughts are with you Ray. Donna Downey

Donna Downey - May 27 at 01:19 PM

AH

“ Ardis Hughes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Beatrice "Bea" Margaret Leikam (née Greenwald)



Ardis Hughes - May 23 at 01:47 AM

MI

“ Ray and family I truly am heartbroken at the loss of Bea, I am honoured that I was given the chance to know her and help take care of her the last 5.5 years and to get to know her family I will miss updating her on our hockey team and making her laugh that they beat the flames. When she smiled it would light up the room . She will forever hold a place in my heart ❤️



Michelle - May 20 at 07:34 PM

JE

“ Judy Elliott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Beatrice "Bea" Margaret Leikam (née Greenwald)



Judy Elliott - May 19 at 03:20 PM