



Mrs. Cornelia Kortenschyl

March 29, 1935 - March 20, 2025

It is with sadness we announce that Cornelia (Corry) Kortenschyl passed away on March 20, 2025 in the High River Hospital.

Corry was one of six children born to Everdina Johanna Mechtalina and Christoffel Beljaars in the Netherlands on March 29, 1935. She was the second youngest and responsible for taking care of her younger brother Chris. After graduating from High School, she attended nursing school to work as a nurse in the Netherlands, England, and the Channel Island of Jersey until she made the journey to Canada to marry Jan (Johnny) Kortenschyl in 1965. Johnny and Corry were born in Kampen and knew each other as children. Corry worked as a Nurse in the High River and Turner Valley Hospitals, Fort Resolution, Inuvik, and Yellowknife before moving to the HBOG camp near Brooks with Johnny and daughter Johanna in 1972. She worked in the Bassano Hospital on a weekly rotation until moving to Brooks in 1977 and continued to work in the Bassano and Brooks hospitals until she retired after more than 40 years of nursing. As an RN, she worked in maternity, emergency, general ward, and palliative care. She was a cancer survivor. All the while she and Johnny were dedicated to drawing, painting, and stained glass together. Corry continued to paint and compete at the Zone level and in the Alberta Wide Show as a member of the Alberta Community Art Club Association until 2022. She was an accomplished artist whose paintings often were as detailed as photographs. Her intent was to bring her appreciation of

nature to the viewer through her art. Corry and Johnny were supporters and members of The Newell Sailing Club, Brooks Scouts, and Dinosaur Park. Corry was a member of Eastern Star Helen Chapter No. 91, Occidental Chapter No. 12, and the Nanton Art Club. When Johnny passed away in 2003, Corry returned to High River to be near Johanna and her family. Corry (Oma) often took care of her two grandchildren after school. Through the years she attended many of Tycen's Scouting events, Tai Kwon Do competitions, and Lacrosse (Box and Field) games as well as Eryka's Irish Dance events, competitions, and Field Lacrosse practices and games. Oma enjoyed visits with Tycen, his wife Kaylee and Eryka when they were home from work, school, and lacrosse.

Left to remember Corry are her daughter Johanna (Trevor Allan); grandchildren Tycen (Kaylee) and Eryka; brother Chris (Jacqueline); nieces and nephews in the Netherlands: Tyijs, Els, Inge; Lolle, Christina, Annemieke, John, Rimmie; Georgie, Phillippe; Jolanda, Jeannette; Esther; Sister In-law Rie (Piet); many patients and friends along the way.

Corry was predeceased by her parents Everdina Johanna Mechtelina and Christoffel Beljaars, husband Jan Kortenschyl, mother in-law Elscke (Elza), sisters Dymphna (Henk), Dennie (Rim), Annie (Johan), and brother Piet.

Our family extends gratitude to High River Homecare, High River Hospital staff, High River Fire Department, Alberta Health Services EMS and Fr. Marius whom all provided Corry with care off and on over the past 10 years.

In Lieu of flowers, please consider memorials in Corry's name to the High River Health Care Foundation – High River Hospital Maternity highriverhealthfoundation.ca or the local charity of your choice that provides food security.

A celebration of Corry's strength, determination, and accomplishments will be held at a later date.

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

Tribute Wall

DS

“ Sorry for your loss Johanna and family. We knew Johnnie, Corrie and Johanna very well while they lived in Brooks. We have kept in touch with Corrie over the years with phone conversations, cards and an occasional visit. We know she very much loved her family and was happy to be close and involved in their activities. Don and Sharon Snell

Don Snell - April 29, 2025 at 10:31 AM

KF

“ I met Corey when she attended Taoist Tai Chi sessions in High River. I tried to keep in touch after she broke her leg, but lost contact after she left hospital. Corey was a feisty and determined lady! Sending my condolences to Johanna and family.
Karen Fitzgerald

Karen Fitzgerald - April 15, 2025 at 11:50 AM

BH

“ We are so sorry for your loss, Johanna. Your parents were friends for many years, but regret we lost touch when they moved to Brooks. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Bill & Dorothy Holmes - April 14, 2025 at 09:26 AM

SB

“ Stephanie Bakaluk lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cornelia Kortenschyl



Stephanie Bakaluk - April 07, 2025 at 04:12 PM

SD

“ *Sharon Doll lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cornelia Kortenschyl*



Sharon Doll - April 07, 2025 at 01:41 PM

CH

“ *Johanna and family our thoughts and prayers are with you; our condolences*
Carmen and Tim

Carmen Hodges - April 07, 2025 at 01:29 PM

TG

“ *Toni Groeneveld lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cornelia Kortenschyl*



Toni Groeneveld - April 06, 2025 at 10:44 AM

JB

“ *My condolences to Johanna and family. I sometimes bumped into Corry while we are out and about. I always enjoyed our conversations together, she was a special lady.*

Jozina Besuijen

Jozina Besuijen - March 28, 2025 at 06:32 PM

PZ

“ Our deepest condolences Johanna, Trevor and family on the loss of your mom. Treasure your memories and hold them close to your heart as they will help you get through the tough days that lay ahead.
Sincerely Len and Pat Zebedee



Pat Zebedee - March 28, 2025 at 01:57 PM

SA

“ Sara-Lynn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cornelia Kortenschyl



Sara-Lynn - March 28, 2025 at 10:53 AM

CA

“ Candace Antony lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cornelia Kortenschyl



Candace Antony - March 27, 2025 at 02:53 PM

CJ

“ Johanna and family. My sincere wishes go out to you at this difficult time. Blessings to you all at this time.

Connie Lorraine Jewell - March 25, 2025 at 09:32 PM

SS

“ *Sheila Storoschuk lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Cornelia Kortenschyl*



Sheila Storoschuk - March 25, 2025 at 07:54 AM

RL

“ *So sorry for your loss Johanna. Deepest sympathy to you and your family.*
Rob & Leanne Edwards

Rob & Leanne - March 24, 2025 at 09:28 PM