



## Mrs. Florence May McKenna

May 22, 1946 - September 3, 2022

Mrs. Florence McKenna of High River, Alberta passed away at the South Health Campus in Calgary on September 3, 2022 at the age of 76 years. Florence is survived by her daughter Shelley Becker (Marty Braithwaite); sons Dan Mckenna (Leah Mckenna), and Shawn Mckenna (Somechit Mckenna); grandchildren Brendyn Stone, Jessie Mckenna (Molly Rogers), Kyle Becker (Stephanie Lawlor), Brooklynn Mckenna (Shane Schneider), Owen McKenna and Elsa McKenna; great-grandchildren Marshall Schneider, Kailee Bernard, Crew Becker, and Jaxon Schneider; as well as her sisters Linda Wendt, Amy Heffron and Judy Mackenzie. Florence was predeceased by her husband of 45 years, Brian Mckenna; mother Isabel Mackenzie, father John Mackenzie, and biological father James Tales.

Florence was born in Paris, Ontario. She grew up in Brantford, Ontario where she met her husband, Brian Mckenna. They moved to Calgary in 1975 and settled in High River in 1976. Florence worked at the High River Hospital on 2nd floor for many years until she retired. Her and Brian retired partially in Yuma AZ, Trout Lake BC, and High River AB. Flo was known for her athleticism in women's fastball, slow pitch, volleyball, and her latest passion was pickleball! Florence enjoyed time at Trout Lake with family, loved music and dancing and keeping active! She was a quiet, kind, and gentle person! She had lots of great friends and cherished her pickleball community. She was a huge part of her children's, grandchildren's and great-grandchildren's lives

and will be dearly missed!

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Flo may be made to the Tom Baker Cancer Centre, 1331 29 Street NW, Calgary, AB T2N 4N2, 403-521-3433, [albertacancer.ca/in-memory](http://albertacancer.ca/in-memory)

A Celebration of Florence's Life will take place at the Heritage Inn in High River on Saturday, September 10, 2022 at 11:00 am

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

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

SEP **10**. 11:00 AM (MT)

Heritage Inn, High River  
1104 11 Ave. SE  
High River, AB (CA)

# Tribute Wall



“ Lyle Reeves Funerals created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Lyle Reeves Funerals - September 08, 2022 at 01:19 PM

BC

“ I am so sorry to hear of Flo's passing. I visited her while walking on the pathways and saw her riding her bike often.

barbara cosgrove - September 15, 2022 at 03:06 PM

DG

“ I was saddened to hear of Flo's passing. Flo and I were in the same exercise class over the year's at the RecPlex. She will certainly be missed. Sincerest condolences to Flo's family. May you rest in peace.  
Donna Gonek.

Donna Gonek - September 14, 2022 at 04:07 PM



“ Wilma Williamson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Wilma Williamson - September 13, 2022 at 12:23 AM

SW

“ I was lucky enough to work nights with Flo. She was a kind and loving nurse. She was kind enough to give me and my husband the keys to their Trout Lake cottage for a week. That was one of the best holidays we've ever had. Rest In Peace, Flo!

Sue Wagner - September 12, 2022 at 07:34 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Lyle Reeves Funerals - September 12, 2022 at 01:33 AM

CG

“ Candace Bergen & Ken G lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Candace Bergen & Ken G - September 10, 2022 at 10:04 PM

SE

“ Sorry to hear about Florence. Our condolences to the Families.  
Tony & Sandy

Sandy Ewanishin - September 10, 2022 at 04:21 PM

MT

“ *Mavis And Terry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna*



**Mavis and Terry** - September 10, 2022 at 12:19 PM

TB

“ *Always enjoyed my visits with your Mom and Grandma, especially over the last couple of years. Sending you all much love and a warm hug* 💜



**Tammy Beach** - September 10, 2022 at 02:44 AM

HC

“ *Hesther Coonfer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna*



**Hesther Coonfer** - September 10, 2022 at 12:21 AM

CD

“ *Great memories of our Wildcat Slowpitch "Shortstop" Flo. It was a real pleasure to coach her all those years & all the fun we had, laughter, cabarets, tournaments. A great lady we were proud to call our friend.*

**Coach Terry Charlton & Diane** - September 09, 2022 at 06:40 PM

BM

“ I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to the family of Florence McKenna, I was so sorry to hear of Florence's passing. I didn't know her but the tributes tell me she was a very caring, compassionate and giving person.

*I met Florence once when she first moved to Calgary where I was living at the time. My mother (Florence Grace Tales) was James sister. She came to visit me and we made a trip out to see Florence and family, I'm afraid I don't remember much about the visit and my Mom has since passed, and we lost touch after that.*

*I know my grandparents Florrie & Bill Tales had a special place in their hearts for Florence and kept in touch until they passed.*

*Our deepest sympathy go out to you and your family, our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

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**Bonnie MacDonald** - September 09, 2022 at 05:55 PM

LI

*Hello Bonnie, I am Flo's sister Linda and if you are interested I would like to communicate with you. I'm on FB under Charles Walter Wendt if interested*

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**Linda** - September 10, 2022 at 11:02 PM

AM

“ Sending our deepest condolences to Dan, Leah McKenna & family, Shelley Becker & family, Shawn McKenna and family. Florence was a force to be reckoned with, she was also a caring and giving person, always up for a chat when you'd run into her in the grocery store or wherever ❤️ She will be missed by all who had the opportunity of knowing her. Rest peacefully Florence, now reunited with Brian. And May the family all find strength in the fond memories you made with her through the years ❤️ 🙏🏻



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**Angie McCormick** - September 09, 2022 at 05:27 PM

GC

“ We send our condolences to Flo's family. We both enjoyed playing Pickleball with her. She was fun & competitive, always had a smile on her face and was a friend to all. Our thoughts are with you.  
Geoff & Leslie Carpenter



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**Geoff Carpenter** - September 09, 2022 at 05:25 PM

DR

“ Dear First Cousin (Once Removed) Sorry to hear of your passing. Dolores (Cannell) Roddick & husband Patrick J Roddick, Calgary. (403-248-4486) drenglandbound@gmail.com. We talked once after I found the obit of your Mother Isabell Lillian Taverner which mentioned you & your husband. I sent your copies of documents & tree information. Your Mother & our father Albert John Cannell were First Cousins. His father Abraham Isaac Cannell were sibling to your grandmother Florence May Cannell. Also, my siblings Darlene Nicholson, Coquitlam, BC. Diane Kjos Sherwood Park, AB & Donna King in Barrie, Ontario. May you rest in Peace. Your Cousin Dolores Roddick.

Dolores Roddick - September 09, 2022 at 03:06 PM

LI

I am Flo's sister Linda who lives in Ontario, it was very nice to read the above information and to now know of her cousin Dolores

Linda - September 10, 2022 at 11:05 PM

JD

“ My deepest condolences to the whole family. You are all in my prayers.



Janice Danyluk - September 09, 2022 at 02:37 PM

BP

“ Barbara Pickering lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Barbara Pickering - September 09, 2022 at 02:20 PM

M(

“ Michele Connors (Derbecker) lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Michele Connors (Derbecker) - September 09, 2022 at 02:11 PM

RD

“ Renee Derbecker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Renee Derbecker - September 09, 2022 at 02:09 PM

LM

“ Lorna Mclean lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Lorna Mclean - September 09, 2022 at 01:47 PM

TL

“ Tammy Little lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Tammy Little - September 09, 2022 at 09:47 AM

JR

“ *Jane Russell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna*



**Jane Russell** - September 08, 2022 at 11:59 PM

SV

“ *Shelly Vold lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna*



**Shelly Vold** - September 08, 2022 at 10:55 PM

CS

“ *Cory Stier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna*



**Cory Stier** - September 08, 2022 at 09:15 PM

SP

“ *Steve And Deborah Pain lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna*



**Steve and Deborah Pain** - September 08, 2022 at 09:05 PM

SD

“ Sharon Doll lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Sharon Doll - September 08, 2022 at 04:57 PM

CH

“ Our sincere condolences go out to Flo’s family. She will be missed by all who knew her. She was a great lady and a wonderful pickleball player and we will miss her!  
Connie and Don Hauser

connie Hauser - September 08, 2022 at 03:42 PM

VG

“ We will miss our neighbor of many years. We send our condolence to the McKenna family.  
Vic and Gerri Giguere.



Vic & Gerri Giguere - September 08, 2022 at 03:27 PM

MO

“ Margaret Olson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Margaret Olson - September 08, 2022 at 01:28 PM

JP

“ Jackie Penny lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Jackie Penny - September 08, 2022 at 12:33 PM

JP

*I met Flo at yoga classes and know she was a wonderful pickleball player - a kind and gentle lady - my condolences to the family.*

Jackie Penny - September 08, 2022 at 12:36 PM

RD

“ So sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. She was a kind, sweet lady. Sending hugs to all of you. Rosemary & family

Rosemary Derbecker - September 08, 2022 at 09:49 AM

RD

“ Rosemary Derbecker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



Rosemary Derbecker - September 08, 2022 at 09:47 AM

GA

“ I met Flo through Pickleball. She was a great competitor but with a very kind heart. I always enjoyed playing with or against Flo on the courts. A sweet, kind lady who will be greatly missed.

Gail - September 08, 2022 at 08:59 AM

DB

“ Our deepest condolences go out to Flo's family. She was a loving, kind, caring person, with a zest for life. She showed kindness to all that she met. I really enjoyed getting to know her over the last few years as we both loved fitness and pickleball. RIP dear Flo.

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**Dawn Bleackley** - September 07, 2022 at 10:44 PM

LH

“ Laurie Howe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



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**Laurie Howe** - September 07, 2022 at 10:41 PM

KC

“ Flo- a quiet, gentle soul, with a twinkle in her eye, and a strong desire to be her best at whatever she did. So enjoyed our Pickleball games and club fun times. Lived, laughed and was loved by so many- blessings to her family for this wonderful lady's life.



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**karen crawford** - September 07, 2022 at 06:33 PM

TW

“ Tracey Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



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**Tracey Wilson** - September 07, 2022 at 06:21 PM

KS

“ To Danny, Shelly, Sean and families- my sincere sympathy to all of you. Your Mom was a special person to everyone who knew her. She loved you all very much, and you will carry her in your hearts forever. ❤️

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**Karen Snodgrass** - September 07, 2022 at 10:24 AM

ES

“ Eunice Schmuland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



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**Eunice Schmuland** - September 07, 2022 at 09:58 AM

P(

“ Peggy Samoleski (Gibson) lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna



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**Peggy Samoleski (Gibson)** - September 06, 2022 at 11:11 PM

SP

*A wonderful friend and human being; sadly missed; united with Brian once again; God Bless and comfort all her family in this time of grief and remembrance*

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**Steve and Deborah Pain** - September 07, 2022 at 04:55 PM

BS

“ *High River and our pickleball community have lost a very special person with Flo passing away. Flo had the kindest face and heart to match. I hope she knows she was a person many looked up to. She will be missed.*

*Dwain & Barb Sheldrake*

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**Barb Sheldrake** - September 06, 2022 at 09:20 PM

ST

“ *Shirley Trott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna*



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**Shirley Trott** - September 06, 2022 at 05:48 PM

JR

“ *Sincere condolences to all Flo's family. I had the privilege of working with this awesome lady for many years at the hospital. She was so gentle kind and caring. Flo never spoke a bad word about anyone. We continued to keep in touch at the RecPlex and when we would meet out walking our dogs.*

*Gone but never ever forgotten beautiful Flo.*

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**Jan Richardson** - September 06, 2022 at 12:43 PM

RB

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family. Flo was such a wonderful person. She was a quiet, sweet lady. I enjoyed playing Pickleball with & against her and so glad she had the opportunity to play in the Pickleball Provincials in Medicine Hat this summer. She will be missed by her Pickleball family. RIP & Pickle on Flo.*

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**Rhonda Bews** - September 06, 2022 at 11:55 AM

LM

“ *Lorrie Morales lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna*



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**Lorrie Morales** - September 05, 2022 at 10:04 PM

MW

“ *I had the privilege of working with Flo at the hospital starting in 1987. I was a new nursing grad, and Flo was so good to me. We had alot of laughs back then at work. She was so kind and gentle with her patients.*

*She also got me involved in women's slowpitch and playing for the Wildcats where I met many new friends. As a new young person to High River, Flo gave me a great start here. I will never forget her. My condolences to her family...she was a great lady*

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**MaryLou Winter** - September 05, 2022 at 07:01 PM

BP

“ *Flo was quiet, caring, supportive on and off the pickleball courts- she was a big part of our High River pickleball family💕 She did however have a competitive edge to her pickleball game. She made many pickleball life friends who will miss her dearly. ❤️ Our thoughts are with her family & friends at this time.*

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**Brian Popowitch** - September 05, 2022 at 02:54 PM

TR

“ I was so blessed to have known Flo for the past 8 years, She was such a sweet person who never spoke a cross word of anyone. . Loved her family and was so very proud of her children, grandchildren , and her baby great grandchildren. She will leave a lasting wonderful memory of all she was to her many good friends and family.  
Tilly Roberts

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**Tilly Roberts** - September 05, 2022 at 11:46 AM

TM

“ My deepest condolences to you all.  
I was so very sad and shocked to hear of Flo's passing.  
She was an amazing friend to me. Such a great lady.  
We always had lots of laughs and good chats when she got her hair done.  
She was so very proud of all you kids and her amazing grandchildren.  
I will miss her immensely.  
I am so very sorry for your loss.

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**Tammy McGonigle** - September 05, 2022 at 11:12 AM

DB

“ Darlene Beutler lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Florence May McKenna



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**Darlene Beutler** - September 05, 2022 at 08:27 AM

SS

“ *Sheila Storoschuk lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna*



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**Sheila Storoschuk** - September 05, 2022 at 08:10 AM

CI

“ *Carrie Irwin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence May McKenna*



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**Carrie Irwin** - September 04, 2022 at 11:41 PM