



## Mrs. Hazel Marie Henheffer

June 19, 1922 - May 24, 2013

Mrs. Hazel M. Henheffer passed away peacefully on May 24th, 2013 at the Willow Creek Continuing Care Centre in Claresholm, AB at the age of 90 years. Hazel is survived by her son Alan (Pam), daughter Jill (Bruce), grandchildren Jodi (Jeff), Rod (Sue), Reannon (Ryan) and Jim (Brandi). Also survived by great grandchildren Joel, Clayton and Abby Dawson, Iva and Sawyer Henheffer, Madalynn, Hudson, Elizabeth and Marshal Walker, and Sarah and Reid Henheffer. Hazel was predeceased by her parents Ava and Albert Wallin, husband Floyd Henheffer, sister Louise Minor, and brother Ralph Wallin.

Hazel was born with an inquiring mind and a strong sense of independence and adventure, and throughout her life those qualities were at the root of most of her actions, decisions and ambitions.

In her early years, she wanted to become a pilot – not a typical choice of vocation for a young woman from small town Saskatchewan in the 1930's – and had resources been available, she would no doubt have achieved that ambition. In later years she wrote columns for the Calgary Herald, taught school, raised purebred Murray Grey cattle, and launched her own real estate company at a time when very few women were involved in that industry in any capacity.

Although she spent the majority of her life in Alberta, where she married

Floyd, raised two children, and became the grandmother of 4 and the great grandmother of 11, her heart and spirit remained fiercely loyal to Saskatchewan, and woe to anyone who dared to criticize or speak in jest about the land, the people, the politics (except maybe for Grant Devine), or the Roughriders.

She was a child of the prairies, and though she grew up on a farm during the double catastrophes of drought and the Great Depression, those experiences shaped her but did not extinguish her spirit or sense of fun. She worked hard all her life, but always found time and energy to entertain family and friends, and share meals, music and laughter.

Hazel had a wide circle of friends, of all ages, partly because she had many interests herself, but also because she was very interested in others, and loved to learn from their knowledge and experiences. To be a member of Hazel's family, or a close friend, meant a lifetime of unconditional loyalty and support.

Her strength and resilience during difficult times was only matched by her sense of playfulness, and the ability to find joy in small things.

A Private Family Service has been held. Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass) 403.652.4242.

# Tribute Wall

LG

“ *Lynette Gillanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hazel Marie Henheffer*



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**Lynette Gillanders** - June 13, 2013 at 07:13 PM

RH

“ *Alan, Jill and families;We send condolences in your loss. We will never forget your mother, and I really miss corresponding with her. It's been many years since we've seen her, but I did correspond with her, but I did correspond with her until the last few years. You had a great mother. Sincerely, Elda Henheffer and families of Ron, Jeanne and Dennis.*

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**Ron Henheffer** - May 30, 2013 at 10:18 AM

PZ

“ *Pat Zebedee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hazel Marie Henheffer*



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**Pat Zebedee** - May 29, 2013 at 01:52 PM

PZ

“ Alan, Jill and family know that our thoughts are with you at this most difficult time. There are so many memories to cherish and hold dear to your hearts. Your mom was truly a wonderful lady and will be missed by all who knew her.

*Sincerely Len and Pat Zebedee*

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**Pat Zebedee** - May 29, 2013 at 01:51 PM

DV

“ I send my sincere condolences to Jill, Alan and all of Hazel's family. Hazel was such a kind and gentle person and such an elegant lady whom I always enjoyed chatting with whenever I had the chance to meet her. I have missed seeing her over the past few years.

*Treasure your memories to help you through this time of grieving.*

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**Dana Kemery Valgardson** - May 29, 2013 at 12:09 AM

DV

“ Dana Kemery Valgardson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hazel Marie Henheffer



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**Dana Kemery Valgardson** - May 28, 2013 at 11:53 PM

BG

“ Jill and family,  
Our thought and prayers are with you all.  
*Brenda and Graham McCredie*

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**Brenda and Graham** - May 28, 2013 at 04:31 PM

RW

“ *Jill; I'm so sorry to hear of your Mothers, passing. I know how close you were to her. My heart goes out to you and your family, if I can be of any help please let me know.*



*Ron Weston*

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**Ron Weston** - May 28, 2013 at 01:26 PM

CJ

“ *Alan, Jill and families: My sincere condolences to you all at this time. Your Mom was a very unique and special person and may her memories live on in your hearts always.*

*Sincere wishes, Connie Jewell*

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**Connie Jewell** - May 28, 2013 at 10:50 AM

RL

“ *On behalf of all of us at High River United, we send our prayers and blessings to all of Hazel's family as you grieve her death. She was a dignified and beautiful woman who contributed so much to her community.*

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**Rev. Susan Lukey** - May 28, 2013 at 09:47 AM

JW

“ *My sincerest sympathy to you all in the loss of this wonderful lady! Remember her well!*

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**Joyce Washburn** - May 28, 2013 at 06:36 AM

BH

“ So many memories of a great lady you have to enjoy. Hazel always kept life interesting for me during my newspaper days. I will miss her and truly share the grief with her wonderful family. She enjoyed a full and, I'm sure, an interesting life.

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**Bill Holmes** - May 27, 2013 at 10:21 PM

JB

“ I will always remember the spunky, kind woman who sold us our house in High River, the house I still live in today! Little did I know of all the connections I would have with her, and her family, throughout the years. It has been one of my blessings! - My heart and prayers are with you all. With love, Joyce Barton

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**Joyce Barton** - May 26, 2013 at 11:52 PM

RW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**reannon walker** - May 26, 2013 at 09:19 PM

DG

“ As close friends of Jill's for over 30 years, we send heartfelt condolences to her and all the family. Wishing you every strength and comfort at this sad time. Diana & Don Gallivan xxx

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**Diana Gallivan** - May 26, 2013 at 04:27 PM

SA

“ *Sincere Sympathy, Thoughts and Prayers are with all of you at this time.*

*Sandy Heavens*

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**Sandy** - May 26, 2013 at 02:05 PM

SF

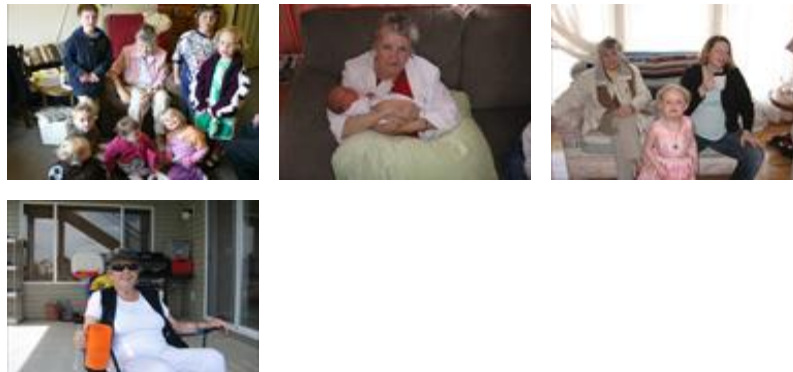
“ *Our most sincere sympathy to the Henheffer family. We were very sorry to hear of Hazel's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Sharon and Scott Forbes** - May 25, 2013 at 11:49 PM

RW

“ *4 files added to the album Hazel Henheffer*



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**Reannon Walker** - May 25, 2013 at 06:43 PM

SD

“ *Jill and family I am so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. My thoughts are with all of you. Let me know if there is anything I can do for you*



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**Sharon Doll** - May 25, 2013 at 09:38 AM