



## Mrs. Josefa Ackermann

October 27, 1926 - April 25, 2020

Mrs. Josefa Ackermann of High River, Alberta passed away peacefully at the High River Hospital on April 25, 2020 at the age of 93 years with her daughter by her side. Sefa is survived by her loving husband of 59 years, Bernie; sons David (Glynis) and Stefan (Lisa); daughter Susie (Wayne); granddaughters Kaity (Tyson) and Gillian; and grandsons Marcus and Bryce. Many relatives, including her dear sister, Maria, are left to mourn her passing in Germany.

Sefa was born in Germany on October 27, 1926. After marrying Bernie in 1962, they moved to Canada where they raised their family. Sefa worked in the High River Hospital laundry department for many years where she enjoyed the laughter and good company of many special people. After retirement, Sefa returned to the hospital as a volunteer with the Recreation Therapy department, as well as delivering Meals On Wheels with Bernie.

Sefa enjoyed getting together with friends for weekly card games, family and friends' celebrations and neighbourhood get-togethers. Being around family and seeing her grandkids grow up were her fondest memories.

Sefa's family wishes to extend their heartfelt thanks to Drs. Adam and Ashref Jeeva, and to all the staff on Unit 200 at the High River Hospital for all their loving care and support of Sefa during the past two years.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Sefa's memory would be appreciated to the High River District Health Care Foundation - [www.highriverhealthfoundation.c](http://www.highriverhealthfoundation.c)

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No service will be held.

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

# Tribute Wall

LJ

“ Mit tiefer Trauer habe ich von Tod Tante Sefas erfahren. Ich schicke Euch meine aufrichtige Anteilnahme. Liebe Grüße sendet euch euer Neffe und Cousin Ludger Jocham geb. Hartweg



Ludger Jocham - September 23, 2020 at 11:45 AM

KH

“ Dear Bernie, David, Stefan, Susie and family

*The more alive and full  
the memory  
the harder it is  
separation.*

*But the gratitude  
transforms the  
memory into a  
silent joy.*

*You wear the  
past beauties like  
a precious present  
in itself.*

*- D. Bonhoeffer*

*Satisfactory Participations and a silent greeting*

*Cordially*

*Klaudia Hentrup & Marleen, Leonie and Felix*

Klaudia Hentrup - May 26, 2020 at 06:47 AM

CB

“ Dear Bernie, David, Stefan, Susie and family,

*We are deeply sorry to hear of the loss of Sefa. She will live on in our memories forever. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to you and we are thinking of you at this sad time.*

*„Those we love  
don't go away,  
They walk beside  
us every day,  
Unseen,  
Unheard,  
but always near,  
Still loved,  
still missed and  
very dear.“*

*Conny Becke and family*

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**Conny Becke** - May 19, 2020 at 12:20 PM

CC

“ My deepest sympathy to the Ackermann family. Cathy



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**Cathy Couey** - May 09, 2020 at 09:08 PM

TG

“ *Tara And Lloyd Giles lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann*



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**Tara and Lloyd Giles** - May 05, 2020 at 10:32 AM

PZ

“ *Our deepest condolences Bernie and family. Cherish your memories and hold them close to your heart as they will help you through the tough days that lay ahead.*  
*Len and Pat Zebedee*



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**Pat Zebedee** - May 04, 2020 at 02:59 PM

ST

“ *Suzanne Tangen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann*



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**Suzanne Tangen** - May 03, 2020 at 03:57 PM

LK

“ Dear Bernie, Susie, Wayne & Family,  
One can only dream of having such a wonderful Partner in Life, Mother and Grandmother. I was lucky enough to know Sefa over many years. She worked at the High River Hospital, along with her dashing husband Bernie. To witness the many visits Sefa's family paid her on a daily basis touched your heart. How lucky Sefa was to have such a loving family who adored her. It is a testament to the fabulous person she was.  
Lee-Ann King & Family



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Lee-Ann King - May 03, 2020 at 12:26 AM

AR

“ Bernie and family, my sincere condolences



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Ann Ryan - May 02, 2020 at 08:27 PM



“ Sefa, we will miss you dearly on the second floor.  
-Carol Penchuk (Vera's daughter)



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Carol Penchuk - May 02, 2020 at 06:56 PM

SO

“ Susan, Thinking of you and your family.



Sonya Steele O'Hearn - May 02, 2020 at 04:54 PM

GB

“ Grant & Debbie Braaten lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann



Grant & Debbie Braaten - May 02, 2020 at 12:03 PM

KC

“ Kathleen Cuthbertson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann



Kathleen Cuthbertson - May 02, 2020 at 10:51 AM

LM

“ Dear Susie and family. We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to you and we are thinking of you at this sad time. Don and Lana



Lana Malmberg - May 01, 2020 at 03:34 PM

DB

“ *Darlene Beutler lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann*



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**Darlene Beutler** - April 30, 2020 at 08:16 PM

AB

“ *Ann M Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann*



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**Ann M Brown** - April 30, 2020 at 07:54 PM

ES

“ *Eunice Schmuland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann*



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**Eunice Schmuland** - April 30, 2020 at 11:54 AM

KS

“ *Karyn Conradson Schwartzenberger lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann*



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**Karyn Conradson Schwartzenberger** - April 29, 2020 at 06:25 PM

GL

“ Grace Ledoux lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann



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Grace Ledoux - April 29, 2020 at 03:36 PM

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“ John Nikulak (volunteer) lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann



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john nikulak (volunteer) - April 29, 2020 at 03:13 PM

RR

“ Bernie and Family, Please accept our sincere sympathy on the loss of Sefa. What a beautiful sole she was. Big Hugs to you all from the Mason's and Hazen's.

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Roberta & Ross - April 29, 2020 at 01:45 PM

IR

“ So sorry to hear of Sefa passing. Bernie and family you will be in my thoughts and prayers in the days and months to come  
Iren\*e McCrindle Richards



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Irene RICHARDS - April 29, 2020 at 09:37 AM

MA

“ *Marcia Ayrey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann*



Marcia Ayrey - April 28, 2020 at 10:51 PM

AW

“ *Bernie and family... My deepest condolences. Keeping you in thoughts and prayers!*

Ann Weston - April 28, 2020 at 10:16 PM

DJ

“ *To Stefan and Family, I'm so sorry for your loss.*

Diane Jack - April 28, 2020 at 09:06 PM

JB

“ *Joyce Barton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann*



Joyce Barton - April 28, 2020 at 02:53 PM

GC

“ *Bernie and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*



Gerry and Glenda Cutforth - April 28, 2020 at 12:27 PM

SW

“ *My thoughts & prayers to the entire Ackermann family.*



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**Sherry Whitford** - April 28, 2020 at 12:09 PM

TZ

“ *Bernie I'm so sorry to hear of your loss of your beloved Sefa. Im thinking of you at this sad time*



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**Tannis Zebedee** - April 28, 2020 at 11:55 AM

EM

“ *Sepha was an amazing woman. She had a life full of love from her family, harrowing years in East Germany, adapting to a new way of life, and being a wonderful Mom to their three children. Sepha was always kind, and had a lovely soft smile. She shared her birthday, October 27, with my Mom, so I always think of her then*

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**Elaine Mason** - April 28, 2020 at 11:34 AM

CN

“ *Bernie and family,  
We are so sorry for your loss. With heartfelt sympathies,  
Cyril & Bev Norrie*



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**Cyril and Bev Norrie** - April 28, 2020 at 09:52 AM

NT

“ Nolan Tally lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann



Nolan Tally - April 28, 2020 at 09:42 AM

CD

“ Colleen Davidson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann



Colleen Davidson - April 28, 2020 at 09:31 AM

LB

“ Louise Barlow lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann



Louise Barlow - April 28, 2020 at 02:53 AM

DD

“ Heartfelt sympathy to Bernie on the loss of the love of his life, his soulmate. Also to the families of David, Stefan, and Susie. It is never easy to lose your mom, no matter the age, or the circumstances. May she rest in peace.

Darlene & Jack Denney



Darlene Denney - April 27, 2020 at 10:27 PM

DM

“ Sincere sympathy Bernie on the passing of your wife.

*Al & Dorine Moore*



Dorine Moore - April 27, 2020 at 09:23 PM

GB

“ Bernie and family.....  
We were sorry to hear of your loss of Josefa. We know she was dear to all of you.  
Cherish your memories and take care of yourselves.  
Gerry and Barb Coakwell

Gerry and Barb - April 27, 2020 at 09:10 PM

MR

“ Please accept our heartfelt condolences with the recent loss of your wife and Mom. Keep all your wonderful memories of her close to your heart to help ease the pain of your loss. Our thoughts are with you all. Love, Monique & Bill Roffey

monique roffey - April 27, 2020 at 08:25 PM

MH

“ Sincere sympathy Bernie from Marlene Herriman...

Marlene herriman - April 27, 2020 at 08:22 PM

DL

“ Deepest condolences to Bernie and family. So sorry for your loss from the Liddell family.

Dianne Liddell - April 27, 2020 at 08:21 PM

JF

“ My deepest condolences Bernie and family i worked with Sefa for many years was a joy to have had the years with her

*Janet Fraser*



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**Janet Fraser** - April 27, 2020 at 08:11 PM

BP

“ My deepest condolences to Bernie and family.I have many memories of Sefa working at the Hospital.



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**Barb Pickering** - April 27, 2020 at 07:26 PM

GI

“ My Oma was so special to me. She was the best Oma anyone could ask for. I will always remember the summer trips down to High River, filled with Streuselkuchen, Renzi walks and trips to the Hitchin Post.

*My favourite memory with Oma was when I was 5 and my sister was 8, Oma and Opa took us on a road trip to Fairmont Hot Springs in their RV. They let me spend the entire day in the pool all by myself! Something that my parents never would have allowed! It was something that was so special to me, I remember feeling so grown up and independent. I couldn't wait to tell my mom that what my Oma let me do! 25 years later and I still smile about that memory. I will miss my Oma so much and look forward to when our family and her friends can get together to celebrate her.*

*Love Gillian*

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**Gillian** - April 27, 2020 at 07:18 PM

GM

“ I have 27 years of lovely memories with Sefa. She loved her family dearly and with open heart welcomed me and my daughters into her family. Over the years I have enjoyed so many heart-to-hearts. I could not have wished for a more caring mother-in-law. She will be missed.

Glynis



Glynis Marks - April 27, 2020 at 06:44 PM



“ Oh Dear Bernie. I'm so sorry to hear of your loss.  
My heart is with you. Take care my friend. Xox  
🇺🇸 Dee



Dee Leigh - April 27, 2020 at 06:10 PM

VC

“ Vern and Lynda Coate



Vern & Lynda Coate - April 27, 2020 at 05:39 PM

RW

“ *Bernie and family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. Keep your dear memories close to your hearts to ease your journey through the days ahead.*

*Rusty and Fran wong*

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**Rusty & Fran Wong** - April 27, 2020 at 05:24 PM

AZ

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you Susan, Stefan and Mr Ackermann. Peace be with you all.*



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**Ann Holmes Zirk** - April 27, 2020 at 05:07 PM

ES

“ *Eric And Lea Sorkilmo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Josefa Ackermann*



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**Eric and Lea Sorkilmo** - April 27, 2020 at 04:50 PM

DR

“ *Bernie and family.  
Our thoughts are with all of you.  
We are thinking of you Bernie. Many fond memories of Sefa.  
Sincerely, Tom and Dee Riehs*

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**dee riehs** - April 27, 2020 at 04:34 PM

BH

“ Sincere condolences to Bernie and family for your loss. Sefa was a quiet and dear person who will be missed by all who have the privilege of knowing her. We will remember her fondly.

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**Bill & Dorothy Holmes** - April 27, 2020 at 03:28 PM