



## Mrs. Mary Anne Rehak

September 20, 1927 - July 14, 2022

Mrs. Mary Rehak of High River, Alberta passed away quietly at the High River Hospital Long Term Care on July 14, 2022, at the age of 94 years. Mary is survived by her four children Robert (Lillian) Rehak, Daniel (Patricia) Rehak, Maria (Richard) Marini, and Peter (Susan) Rehak; six grandchildren; Michael Marini (Jan), Elizabeth Marini (Adam), Scott (Jessica) Rehak, Lee (Hannah) Rehak, Jaylin and Keenan Rehak; and her two great-grandchildren Harriet and Joseph Rehak.

She is also survived by her brother Andy (Lesia) Minarik, sisters-in-law Bernice and Anna Minarik, as well as many extended family members.

Mary was predeceased by her husband of 69 years Daniel Rehak, as well as her brothers Joseph, Tony, and Mervin Minarik.

Mary was born in Dulov, Czechoslovakia to Maria and Leonard Minarik. They immigrated to Canada in 1938 and settled in Rembrandt, Manitoba. It took incredible hard work, ingenuity, and perseverance to farm with a large family in tough times, but they embraced their new home. Mary left home to work in Winnipeg in her late teen years. The money she earned went to help her parents and for her brothers' educations. She had a strong hand in their success and many others.

Toronto became her home where she married Daniel in 1951 and they raised a family with a strong work ethic. Over many summers she would take her children by train back to Manitoba to visit and help on the family farm. Mary was an incredibly resourceful cook and could sew anything. Her children will forever remember her many Slovak recipes such as “buchty”, “trubochki”, and “kolache”. “Babka” could bake those effortlessly without measuring cups!

Failing health moved Mary west to be with some of her family. They were happy to see her take part in all the activities at Seasons Retirement Home where she made new friends and was able to spend more time with her family. She will be missed by all that knew her because of her attitude, talents, and love. Her strong faith and her family were her focus in life.

In memory of Mary, a donation to the High River District Health Care Foundation would be appreciated. She received exemplary care and compassion in every area she was treated, and her family expresses their sincere thank you. [www.highriverhealthfoundation.ca](http://www.highriverhealthfoundation.ca) (560-9th Ave S.W. High River, Alberta T1V 1B3)

A Private Family Memorial Mass will take place.

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

# Tribute Wall

DR

“ *In my last call to my Mom, she told me that she needed more care and was going to a place where more care would be provided. Her wish was granted!* ”



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**DRehak** - September 03, 2022 at 11:28 AM

DM

“ *Bob, Lil and family:  
I extend my condolences to the Rehak family on the loss of your mother/mother-in-law /grandmother. Her legacy lives on though, in all that her children and grandchildren do in the community.* ”

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**Doug MacKenzie** - July 31, 2022 at 08:57 PM

JL

“ *Bob, Lil and Family,  
Sending our sincere sympathy to you upon the loss of your mother. These Czech mothers were so strong and caring.....and were great kolache bakers! May eternal light shine on her.  
Love, Jim and Jeanette Lewis* ”

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**Jeanette Lewis** - July 31, 2022 at 12:12 PM

EM

“ *We all miss Mary. She was a lovely lady.* ”

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**Elinor Miller** - July 29, 2022 at 06:18 PM

KF

“ *Karen Foley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Anne Rehak*



Karen Foley - July 25, 2022 at 03:46 PM

PG

“ *Pam Ganske lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Anne Rehak*



Pam Ganske - July 22, 2022 at 08:15 PM

CM

“ *One of the pillars of Westholme Ave. is no longer with us. Even when speaking to my mother, Mary still asked about the street she spent most of her adult life. But, the fond memories will be everlasting for the family and friends growing up there. She will be missed! God Bless Her and the Rehak family!!*

Charles Mangion - July 22, 2022 at 03:16 PM

GC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you during your time of grief. A Mother's love is never ending. You were all blessings in her life as she was in yours.*



Gerry and Glenda Cutforth - July 21, 2022 at 04:08 PM

JM

“ *Maria, our deepest sympathies to you and your family. May she rest in peace. Joe Marini & Anita Adamek, Toronto*

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**Joe Marini** - July 20, 2022 at 10:17 AM

JN

“ *A mother is with us always, first in her lifetime, then forever in our memory. We are thinking of you at this difficult time. Hugs to the family*

*John and Sue Nibourg  
Edmonton*

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**John and Sue Nibourg** - July 19, 2022 at 01:40 PM

CM

“ *Charlene Malmberg lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Anne Rehak*



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**Charlene Malmberg** - July 19, 2022 at 10:35 AM

CJ

“ *My sincere good wishes to your family on the death of an amazing mother. Blessings to each of you at this time.*

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**Connie Lorraine Jewell** - July 19, 2022 at 09:53 AM

SF

“ *My most sincere condolences to the Rehak family. May your fond and wonderful memories help you through this tough time.*

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**Sharon Forbes** - July 18, 2022 at 06:39 PM

LF

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Lyle Reeves Funerals - July 18, 2022 at 06:07 PM

DR

“ I remember when I first started taking the bus to expand my horizons. Mum wrapped a ten cent coin in a small piece of cloth from her large collection of extra pieces, since she liked to sew, and inserted it into my shirt pocket in case I got lost. I could use the coin to use a payphone to call home for help! Never needed it! Thank you, mum. I miss you. Your son, Daniel.

DRehak - July 18, 2022 at 05:30 PM

SK

Daniel, Patricia, and the entire Rehak family,  
My prayers are with you as you send your mom to her Eternal home. She will bless you who are still on the journey. "Hail Mary, Mother of our God, pray for us PILGRIMS now and at the hour of our BIRTH, Amen.  
Your mom has been born. We are still pilgrims on the journey.  
God bless you all.  
S. Donna

Sister Donna Korba - July 18, 2022 at 09:04 PM