



Mrs. Meryllyn Norma Dodds

July 5, 1939 - August 28, 2024

Meryllyn Norma Dodds was a 4th generation High Riverite born July 5, 1939 to R.V. (Dinty) and Ina Moore.

After graduating HRHS she attended Mount Royal College in Calgary. Meryllyn married Derek Dodds in 1960 and together raised their children in the Calgary & Edmonton vicinities. They spent the last years of married life in Spruce Grove, AB. and after losing her husband in 1994 she moved to Calgary to be closer to family.

Meryllyn had many interests and talents which included, among other things, sewing, gardening, reading and a love of the great outdoors. Genealogy was of special interest to her and her insatiable quest for family history led her to countless days travelling in Eastern Canada & Europe searching microfiche, old church documents etc. Hundreds of hours were then spent on the writing and publication of 3 ancestral books tracing the family roots back to the 14th century.

Her personable nature led to the formation of innumerable lasting friendships, and her great strength & resiliency, vitality and sense of humour will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Meryllyn was predeceased by her husband Derek, daughter Lisa Watson and son Richard Dodds. Her passing leaves holes in the hearts of her surviving family – granddaughter Breony Watson; sisters Barbara Ashley and Sherrie

(Ken) Maerz; nephew Damon (Samanntha Wright) Maerz & family; nieces Stephanie (Keith) Dillabough & family, Jennifer Ashley & Chantelle Maerz.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, September 14th at 1:00 p.m. at St. Benedict's Anglican Church in High River. The family requests that you come dressed in smart casual.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Calgary Wildlife Rehabilitation Society, 11555 – 85th St. NW, Calgary T3R 1J3, (403)214-1312 www.calgarywildlife.org

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

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **14**. 1:00 PM (MT)

St. Benedict's Anglican Church

602 - 3rd St. West

High River, AB T1V 1B4 (CA)

(403) 652-2271

admin@stbenshr.church

<http://www.calgary.anglican.ca/Parishes/HighRiverStBenedict.html>

Tribute Wall

JV

“ Her knowledge of family tree caught me by surprise when I moved from Ontario to Edmonton and received a phone call..."I think I am your cousin"!

Merilyn was my Vallance connection and High River was a name from Atwood and Grandma V.

I was thrilled to go with her to the original farm and her hide-a-way there.

Her selfless care and concern for family and others will be remembered.

Thank you Merilyn and God bless family all. Jan Vallance , Oshawa, ON

Janette Vallance - September 14, 2024 at 08:31 PM

BS

“ Will miss my visits with her at her little piece of heaven on earth along the Highwood river.

Rest in Peace Merilyn.

Barb Stevenson

Barb Stevenson - August 31, 2024 at 09:58 PM

CJ

“ Merilyn was my sister's very good friend during their growing up years, here in High River and the knowledge of her death saddens me but I understand she is now at peace. Blessings to her family members, Barb, Sherry and all who knew Merilyn. Rest well. Connie Paull Jewell

Connie Lorraine Jewell - August 31, 2024 at 11:33 AM