



Mrs. Shirley Irene Skeet

August 22, 1936 - June 23, 2025

The family of Shirley Skeet is saddened to announce her passing on Monday 23 June, 2025, at her home in High River, Alberta. She was two months shy of her 89th birthday.

Shirley Smith was born in Wetaskiwin, Alberta, on 22 August 1936 to Sydney and Emma Smith. Her family moved with to Calgary when she was an infant and she grew up in that city. Shirley attended Western Canada High School, where she was an honours student. In 1954 she married Gerald Skeet, also of Calgary. Together she and Gerry raised four children. They celebrated their seventieth wedding anniversary in December 2024.

In 1994 Shirley and Gerry retired to High River. In retirement Shirley devoted herself to knitting children's sweaters and mittens, which for decades she donated to kid's charities locally and internationally. One of the pleasures of her later life was the Thursday afternoon canasta games she played with her neighbours in Polo Park, the High River neighbourhood of which they became fixtures. A loving spouse and mother, Shirley was nevertheless possessed of a quiet but occasionally wicked sense of humour, as her children often discovered.

Shirley was predeceased by her parents and her two sisters. She is survived by her husband, The Rev. Gerry; her sons Michael, Brian (Valerie), and Ken

(Leslie); her daughter Pat (Len Stecyk); six grandchildren; and five great-granddaughters. At her request there will be no service.

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