



Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus

June 21, 1933 - August 31, 2021

Mrs. Vivian Pippus of High River, Alberta passed away on August 31, 2021 at the High River Hospital at the age of 88 years.

Vivian is survived by her sons Ken (Cathryn) and Greg (Sandra) Pippus, and daughter Sharon Forbes. Grandchildren Geoffrey, Erin, Heather, and Robin Pippus, Jennifer Murphy and Shawn Forbes. Great Grandchildren Finnegan and Josie Murphy. She is also survived by her brother James Culham, numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. Vivian was predeceased by her husband Wilfred Pippus and her brother Bruce Culham.

Vivian was born near Prince Albert, Saskatchewan in a 2-room log cabin on the family homestead, along with her brothers Bruce and James Culham. After high school, she graduated as a Certified Restaurant Manager from the Food Services program at S.A.I.T.; the training she received there served her well throughout her life, as she cooked in restaurants, for family and friends, and in her own small catering business. She often took her homemade goodies to friends and neighbours who were ill or had a new baby or just needed a pick-me-up.

Over the course of her life, Vivian lived in Cabri, Buffalo, High Prairie, Bindloss, Medicine Hat, Calgary, Okotoks, Nanton, finally settling in High River. While in Medicine Hat, she met Wilfred Pippus, whom she married in

1954. They had 3 children - Ken, Sharon, and Greg.

Vivian was very proud of: successfully surviving being widowed at 41 years of age with a 19, 16, and 3 year old; owning and operating "Viv's Variety Store" in Okotoks; being a cancer survivor and becoming the first CanSurmount Coordinator in High River; passing her Real Estate exam and working as a realtor for J, Ross Real Estate. Over the years, she also sold Avon, drove a school bus, and was a supervisor at the Medicine Tree Manor.

She loved playing Bridge, gardening, sewing, knitting, and crocheting, singing in several choirs, and being a member of the High River Hospital Auxiliary.

A Private Family Memorial will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated.

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

Tribute Wall

NI

“ I am so so sorry for your loss! I just lived Vivian. She always had a smile on her face. I saw her quite a bit, as she was in same section at seasons as my Gramps. I'm so glad I saw her not long ago. Big hugs to all of you.



nicole - December 08, 2021 at 01:05 AM

TP

“ Sharon, Ken, Greg and families,

Heartfelt condolences on your Moms passing. She was a kind, strong and determined woman who made the world a better place. We hope the days get brighter and that your memories keep you smiling. Thinking of you all,
Sincerity
Dave Snider and family

Terry Parkin - October 13, 2021 at 07:46 PM

JH

“ John Howie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus



John Howie - September 16, 2021 at 12:19 PM

ES

“ Thinking of you all at this difficult time - I have many fond memories of your Mom

Eunice Schmuland

Eunice Schmuland - September 13, 2021 at 12:32 PM

TW

“ Tracey Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus



Tracey Wilson - September 12, 2021 at 04:38 PM

KF

“ Karen Foley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus



Karen Foley - September 10, 2021 at 02:19 PM

GL

“ Sharon, Greg, Ken and families.

Sending my heartfelt condolences on the passing of your Mother. I have memories going back to when Sharon and I became friends going to junior high school in Okotoks.

I spent a lot of time in your household at that time and your Mom took me under her wing to allow me to stay in town to play extra-curricular activities. She overcame many challenges such as raising a young family on her own after your Dad's passing; her battle with cancer and a heart attack etc...I recall her being so instrumental in organizing the Terry Fox Run for many years, playing bridge with the residents at the hospital and being an active member with the Hospital Auxiliary for 13 years. I am sure you have had time to reminisce together sharing many chuckles this past week and know that your Mother has left our community a better place.

Rest in Peace...Vivian.

Sincerely,

Grace Ledoux



Grace Ledoux - September 09, 2021 at 11:38 AM

PZ

“ Sharon, Greg and family we are so sorry to hear of Vivian's passing. We always enjoyed the visits we had when we lived in the neighbourhood and then at Season's. Cherish your memories they will help you through the tough days that lay ahead.

Sincerely Len and Pat Zebedee



Pat Zebedee - September 08, 2021 at 06:42 PM

JC

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Jody Culham - September 07, 2021 at 08:13 PM

LC

“ *Ken, Sharon, Greg and Families: Sincere thoughts are with you during this time, along with wishes that memories will bring peace, strength, and comfort. Jody and I send our deepest condolences.*

Lil and Jody Culham

Lillian Culham - September 07, 2021 at 04:21 PM



GC

“ *Vivian lead by example. She was admired for her strength and loved for her kindness. We always enjoyed our chats with her and shared some good laughs. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Pippus family at this time. May you rest In peace, Viv.*

Gerry and Glenda Cutforth - September 06, 2021 at 11:55 PM



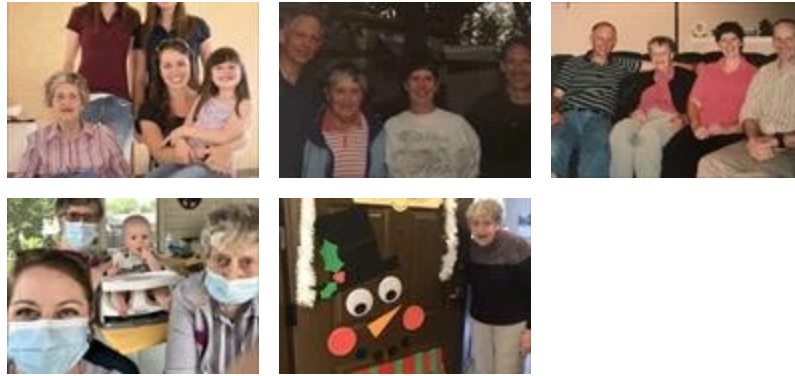
BN

“ Oh how I enjoyed working with and getting to know Vivian at J Ross Real Estate. She was feisty and sweet at the same time and we shared much laughter. I learned a lot about the good in life from her and know how much she will be missed. My condolences go out to the family but I know the memories are strong and plentiful

Brenda Norrie - September 06, 2021 at 11:15 AM

SF

“ 14 files added to the tribute wall



Sharon Forbes - September 06, 2021 at 01:08 AM

DP

“ My first year of teaching at Patrick Airlie School in Forest Lawn, Vivian invited me and the grade two teacher for lunch. It was awesome to be recognized in that way. Always so thoughtful and caring.

Diane Porter - September 05, 2021 at 08:03 PM

LC

“ Your Mother was always someone who spoke her mind often shooting straight from the hip and sometimes downright blunt. She also had a dry sense of humour that I loved, as did her brother, who was also my Dad, Bruce Culham

Her smile was as bright as her blue eyes and she was always up for a visit sharing a meal or a coffee with some home made cake or cookies. What a wonderful friend and neighbor. She truly loved her family.

Mothers..... most of the time we love them. One thing is for sure your mother my Aunty Viv had an authenticity about her that was hard to match. I hope your Mom has found eternal peace.

Leslie Culham

Leslie Culham - September 05, 2021 at 06:56 PM

KF

“ I met Vivian and May Culham on a trip to China in 2000. They were a lot of fun. When I moved to High River after that, we were able to reminisce about that memorable trip. Rest in peace Vivian. Karen Fitzgerald

Karen Fitzgerald - September 04, 2021 at 11:46 PM

EC

“ It was always a pleasure to chat with you mom. She was a special lady. I will be remembering the family at this time.

Evelyn Craig - September 03, 2021 at 11:54 PM

DC

“ I was so sad to hear of Auntie Viv's passing. My deepest sympathy to the family. When Clinton and I were married there was an issue with the music. As we were halfway down the aisle , the wedding march stopped completely...after a few seconds of silence Auntie Viv stood up and began to sing "Here comes the bride...". i will always cherish that memory.



Donna Culham - September 03, 2021 at 02:51 PM

RM

“ Rachel And Andrew Moore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus



Rachel and Andrew Moore - September 03, 2021 at 09:43 AM

RW

“ Russ & Sharon Watkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus



Russ & Sharon Watkins - September 02, 2021 at 09:52 PM

DN

“ All our bridge buddies have missed you for many years. When you threw a party, we had great times. You never missed our birthdays. You were always thoughtful and honest. We love you Viv. Rest in Peace.

Doreen and Lyle Needham - September 02, 2021 at 09:36 PM

GP

“ Sincere condolences to the family.

Geri and Al Polanchek



Geri Polanchek - September 02, 2021 at 09:32 PM

DP

“ Sharon and family, we were so sorry to learn of your mom's passing. She was a wonderful neighbor and we always enjoyed our visits.

Dale & Reta Pickering

Dale & Reta Pickering - September 02, 2021 at 12:49 PM

LW

“ My most sincere sympathy to you Sharon and your family. Your Mom was one of the kindest people ever to come along. When my Mom was in the nursing home, she missed playing bridge so much, so Vivian to the rescue! Your Mom rounded up Dr. Archie Bishop and whoever she could find and got them all set up in the little sun room to play bridge once a week. When she couldnt find enough players, she stepped in and played herself. Those little things were really huge things to folks like my Mom, and the laughter was never ending. Thank you all, for sharing your Mom with so many people. She was a great wonder and will be missed. Rest peacefully Vivian, and thank you.

Linda Walsh - September 02, 2021 at 11:37 AM

CC

“ Donna, Trinity and I will miss you. Condolences to the family. Auntie Viv was always "full of piss and vinegar".

Sincerely Clinton Culham

Clinton Culham - September 02, 2021 at 10:55 AM

PZ

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Forbes and Pippus family on the loss of your mom. She was such a great neighbour and always enjoyed our visits along with some giggles. Treasure your memories they will help you get through the tough days ahead.

Sincerely Len and Pat Zebedee



Pat Zebedee - September 02, 2021 at 10:42 AM

DG

“ Donna Gregg lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus



Donna Gregg - September 02, 2021 at 10:31 AM

CT

“ Coral Timchak lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus



Coral Timchak - September 02, 2021 at 09:38 AM

BL

“ *Barb Lyall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus*



Barb Lyall - September 02, 2021 at 09:35 AM

BJ

“ *Sharon and family, so sorry to hear of the passing of your mom.*

Bob & Cathy Justinick - September 02, 2021 at 09:24 AM



“ *Gordon & Sharon Wagner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus*



Gordon & Sharon Wagner - September 02, 2021 at 09:16 AM

FW

“ *Sharon and family, we are saddened to learn of the passing of your Mom. Your many wonderful memories of her will hopefully ease your sorrow.*

Fran & Rusty Wong - September 02, 2021 at 08:59 AM

LM

“ *There are many fond memories of your mom. I so enjoyed our little chats at Seasons when she would be waiting for you to come and pick her up for lunch or an outing. May she rest in peace. Condolences to you, Sharon and your families.*

Lorrie Morales - September 02, 2021 at 01:24 AM

AT

“ *Athena lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus*



Athena - September 02, 2021 at 12:03 AM

EW

“ *So sorry for your loss Sharon & families, our deepest condolences to everyone*❤️



Ed & Leslie Wendt - September 01, 2021 at 11:21 PM

FM

“ *Sharon, Ken, Greg, and families, We always welcomed the chance to visit with Vivian. She was a warm, caring, people person. She will be missed. Fay and Chuck*

Fay Mascher - September 01, 2021 at 11:11 PM

SD

“ *Sharon and family, I was so sad to hear of Vivian's passing. She was such a delightful woman who always friendly and welcoming. I know she will be greatly missed by the family and many, many members of our Community. Thoughts are with you all.*



Sharon Doll - September 01, 2021 at 09:49 PM



“ *Carrie And Randy Irwin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus*



Carrie and Randy Irwin - September 01, 2021 at 09:39 PM



“ *Lorne And Mary Chadney lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus*



Lorne and Mary Chadney - September 01, 2021 at 08:36 PM



Sharon, Ken and Greg; your Mum will be missed. She was the most down to earth, hard working woman. She did love to laugh and she was a very good friend to our family. We will all miss her.

Lorne and Mary Chadney - September 01, 2021 at 08:38 PM



“ *Rhonda Bews lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus*



Rhonda Bews - September 01, 2021 at 08:23 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of your Mom's passing Sharon; sending our thoughts and condolences to all of you, keeping you in our hearts.*

Barb Kellock - September 01, 2021 at 08:01 PM

EW

“ Sharon, Jennifer and Shawn, sending our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your beloved mother/grandmother. You are in our thoughts.

Larry & Elaine Whitmore

Elaine & Larry Whitmore - September 01, 2021 at 07:31 PM

MA

“ Marcia Ayrey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus



Marcia Ayrey - September 01, 2021 at 06:04 PM

CO

“ Sharon, Ken and Greg, so sorry to hear of your moms passing. She was a wonderful lady.

Colleen Neish Tucker

Colleen - September 01, 2021 at 01:47 PM

JH

“ Sharon and family - with deepest sympathy for your loss.

Jill Henheffer - September 01, 2021 at 12:55 PM

DH

“ So very sorry for your loss! Viv was an amazing lady. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you!

Dave and Viv Holowaychuk

Dave and Viv Holowaychuk - September 01, 2021 at 11:24 AM

CC

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Pippus family, Vivian was a gem of a lady and I don't know if I ever had a conversation with her that wasn't filled with laughter. Thinking of you. .*

Cathy Couey - September 01, 2021 at 11:16 AM

PM

“ *Pat & Colleen Mastel lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus*



Pat & Colleen Mastel - September 01, 2021 at 11:07 AM

CJ

“ *my sincere thoughts go out to Sharon, Greg and other family members on the death of your Mom. Blessings to you all.*

Connie Lorraine Jewell - September 01, 2021 at 10:50 AM

MW

“ *Sharon and Family. We extend our heartfelt condolences to you all at this sad time*

Murray and Kendra Wegener - September 01, 2021 at 10:34 AM

SN

“ *Sharon and family. Our deepest sympathies on your loss. Sue and John Nibourg*

Sue and John Nibourg - September 01, 2021 at 10:24 AM

DP

“ *Diane Porter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. W. Vivian Pippus*



Diane Porter - September 01, 2021 at 10:02 AM

EL

Heartfelt sympathy 🌸

Evanne Linnard - September 01, 2021 at 10:23 AM

KC

Sharon, Ken, and Greg and families. Your mom was a special lady, remember her from many years ago in Okotoks. Our condolences. Kathy and Barry Cuthbertson

kathy cuthbertson - September 01, 2021 at 06:05 PM

SU

“ *Sharon I'm so sorry to hear of your moms passing. I have memories of her that go back many years. Hugs to you and your family. Susan Lovell-Stafford*



Susan - September 01, 2021 at 09:58 AM