



## Mrs. Yvonne Bailey

May 21, 1934 - July 27, 2018

Yvonne Bailey passed away after a short illness. She was surrounded by family and with Leroy, the love of her life, at her bedside. Daughter of Allan and Hilda Jensen, with siblings Carol, Archie, Judy and Allana, she grew up in the Taber – Purple Springs area. An orphan at 14, her early life was hard, therefore, she was prepared for the hardship of farming the Bailey homestead with Leroy after their exciting elopement December 10, 1951.

They had four children: Allan, Gary, Bonnie and Michelle. Her years on the farm, though difficult, were her happiest times as she raised her family, and transformed the farmstead into the beautiful sanctuary it became. Leroy and Yvonne retired to Nanton in 1987 where they enjoyed trips into the Porcupine Hills, Highwood Pass and the Kananaskis country when they weren't wintering in Yuma Arizona. She has left 10 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren behind to enjoy the birds, rocks and nature she so loved.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Calgary Health Trust - Community Health Programs and Services, [www.calgaryhealthtrust.ca/our-causes](http://www.calgaryhealthtrust.ca/our-causes) are suggested.

A private family celebration is planned. Her family thank all the friends and neighbors who enriched her life and shared community with Leroy and Yvonne.

To send condolences and view Yvonne's Tribute Page please visit [www.lylereeves.com](http://www.lylereeves.com) . Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass) 403.652.4242.

# Tribute Wall

BK

“ *to Leroy and family  
We were sorry to hear of Vonnies passing. You have our deepest  
condolences  
Brian and Diana Kerner*

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**brian Kerner** - August 10, 2018 at 12:55 PM

AE

“ *Mrs. Yvonne Bailey  
Leroy, Allan, Gary, Bonnie, Michelle, & Families  
To the families, our sincere condolences. Some thoughtful  
memories.*

*As a teenager I was employed as a hired man at the Bailey residence, but I was treated more like family, as well as some of my siblings. Leroy taught me many useful instructions for later in life. Yvonne by actions showed me a family who can be happy and work in unison. During the spraying season she had breakfast on the table before the sun even thought of peeking over the horizon in the East. Leroy and Yonne invited me to their home to break bread and talk, when I returned from my first tour of duty from Vietnam. Yvonne questioned me about the song I was singing, I guess even in the presence of Allan and Gary, which was a few lines of “Well I’m a Honky Tonk Man”. Allan and Gary at that age may have sang a different version. All Well, after I explained. Yvonne wondered how I could go to Vietnam with the US Marines to do my small duty. It was because my father’s side had 8 family members who were brutally murdered by the Socialists. The pain carries on to the next generation. I also want to thank this family for the helpful lasting affects passed on to me by having been a small part of this family.  
- Albert H., Judy, & Lily Enns*

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**Albert Enns** - August 09, 2018 at 03:57 PM

MH

“ We wrote before, but it must have been missed., but our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to Leroy and family. Marilyn and Gordon Heyland

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**marilyn heyland** - August 08, 2018 at 06:47 PM

JH

“ Sorry to hear of Yvonne’s passing.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time.  
Dick and Joyce Haney

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**Joyce Haney** - August 07, 2018 at 04:09 PM

HB

“ To the family , our sincere condolences on the passing of your mom! Never easy to loose the foundation that holds the family together, your mom. May memories of the great times help to lessen the burden you are bearing now a bit more easy! With sympathy!  
Holly and Norbert Baier, Vicky Dunn, Judy and Nestor Wheeler and families .

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**Holly Baier** - August 06, 2018 at 07:28 PM

SC

“ Leroy and family I am so sorry to hear about Yvonne's passing. The memories of your courtship with Yvonne, Leroy are happy ones for me. I still remember the day, I can picture it, when Mom helped you run away to get married. You both were so happy and always have been so happy.  
She was the love of your life, I know that. May the memories for you and your family help all of you at this most difficult time.  
Sandra Valgardson Crarer

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**Sandra Valgardson Crarer** - August 05, 2018 at 11:20 AM

DE

“ Please accept our deepest condolences for your family's loss. I recall many good times we had with Yvonne and Leroy in the Sundial area.

*Howard Dunn & Family*

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**Deb** - August 04, 2018 at 02:42 PM

JP

“ To the Bailey Family - our deepest condolences with your loss. May beautiful memories comfort you now and always!  
With Heartfelt Sympathy & Hugs - John & Cynthia Papworth

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**John & Cynthia Papworth** - August 04, 2018 at 02:16 PM

RP

“ Leroy, Allan, Gary, Bonnie, Michelle & Families. Condolences for your loss. Thinking of you all at this very sad time. May the memories of this sweet, gracious lady comfort you.

*Richard & Gloria Papworth*

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**Richard & Gloria Papworth** - August 04, 2018 at 01:24 PM

SS

“ Bonny and John and family, so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you during this difficult time.

*Harvey and Sandy Severtson*

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**Sandy Severtson** - August 04, 2018 at 10:03 AM

CP

“ Gary and Anita, so sad to hear about your loss. Many blessings to you as you remember your dear mom.

*Chris and Ruth Pelletier*

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**Chris and Ruth Pelletier** - August 03, 2018 at 07:56 PM

DH

“ Our sincere sympathy Leroy and family. we hope you will find peace and comfort from sharing life with this great lady.

*Dale and Renee Heyland*

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**Dale Heyland** - August 03, 2018 at 07:44 PM

LO

“ Leroy and family, my deepest condolences. I have many, many fond memories of Yvonne while spending time at the Bailey farm and I growing up in that close net Sundial community. I can still hear Yvonne's laughter as Leroy was teasing either her or us kids. Your home was always filled with laughter, love and good times - along with some tough love when we strayed.

*Leroy, you and Yvonne along with Allan, Gary, Bonnie and Michelle, were a big part of my life growing up - like my second family. I have thought of you and your families often over the years. At this time, may the memories of Yvonne's beautiful, fun-loving and compassionate spirit bring comfort to you and your family. My thoughts and prayers for comfort are with you now and always.*

*Love from  
Louise Odland*

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**Louise Odland** - August 03, 2018 at 05:05 PM

JL

“ *Leroy and family, I was shocked to see that Yvonne had passed away. Just a few days ago I was thinking that I hadn't seen you both for quite awhile. I tried to call this morning to talk to you Leroy, but it said you were unavailable. Many great memories, of times together, flood my mind this morning. Sending all my love to you and the family...Joe Lawlor*

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**Joe Lawlor** - August 03, 2018 at 11:01 AM

BL

“ *Our sincere sympathy to the Bailey family . May your many good memories help you thru this difficult time.. Eldon and Barb Lyall*



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**Barb LyLL** - August 02, 2018 at 07:59 AM

MM

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**Michelle mcbedwards@shaw.ca** - July 31, 2018 at 02:08 AM

MI

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Michelle** - July 31, 2018 at 01:41 AM

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*65th Wedding Anniversary*

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**Michelle** - July 31, 2018 at 01:42 AM

TW

*Aunt Cuckoo, it's so sad to see you gone. One of the kindest people I have ever known that always made us kids laugh, with a smile, a kind word or even sitting and taunting us to watch her Cuckoo Clock to see the bird come out. May you rest in peace and know that you will be loved always. Giant HUGG to you.*

*love always,  
Trevor and family*

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**trevor whitmore** - July 31, 2018 at 03:51 PM

TW

*To my Aunt Von: You were the woman who taught me about flowers and all their names, the beauty of the trees and all their names, how fantastic rocks were.....their shapes, their colors, their sparkle, the cactus and all their names, the palm trees and all of their names, you made me aware of nature and appreciate every little detail....even in the clouds! I try to pass this on to everyone.....as you did for me. I know you now walk in a garden barefoot with fishing pole in your hand....headed for a gentle stream and a quiet beaver pond! Rest easy Aunt Von.....I love you!!*

*Trudy*

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**Trudy Whitmore** - August 01, 2018 at 04:49 PM

LS

*We are saddened to hear of Yvonne's passing. Such a sweet, gentle, caring soul, with a sparkle in her eyes and zest for life. Rest in Peace dear lady. Our condolences to the family. Lynn and Sharon Silsbe*

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**Lynn and Sharon Silsbe** - August 03, 2018 at 10:47 AM

MA

“ Aunt Von was a very caring and loving lady. She always had a smile and a hug for everyone. You will be truly missed by everyone you came to know. Rest in peace aunt Von, you have truly touched my heart. I love you. Rest in peace 🙏 you were an angel here on earth and now you can fly free.

Love you

Maureen and family

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Maureen - July 30, 2018 at 09:14 PM