



**GROENVELD,  
Jacoba Zwaantje**

In loving memory of Jacoba Zwaantje Groenveld born October 17, 1926 - April 24, 2017.

On April 24, 2017 Jacoba (Koos) fell asleep in death at home with her family by her side. Jacoba was preceded in death by her husband of 64 years, Adriaan and is survived by her five children: Jan (Tanja), Caroline (Scotty), Adriaan (Julie), Robert (Cathy) and Richard. Also her grandchil-

dren: Jody Garner, Erin (Daniel) Garner, Reesa Garner, Clayton (Layli) Groenveld, Brandon Groenveld, Leah (Matt) Eakins and five great-grandchildren: Andri, Rowan, Brinley, Carter and Nixon. Jacoba is also survived by her younger sister Swen Barendrecht of Maassluis, Holland, sisters-in-law Cory and Hasien and many nephews and nieces.

Jacoba was born and raised by parents Jan and Adriaann Zwaantje Witte in Hoofdorp, Holland. In Hoofdorp Jacoba left her job with KLM and life in Holland to start a new life in Canada with her fiancé Adriaan. Things really got busy when five children came along, running a restaurant in Simpson known as "Groenveld's Lunch". Jacoba was a tireless worker, always smiling and greatly concerned whether or not her family and anyone else who entered the home was contented and well fed. Her hospitality was matched only by her genuinely kind and endearing personality which made her a beautiful person, inside and out. She was dearly loved by her family and all who knew her. Baptized on April 24, 1993, Jacoba was one of Jehovah's Witnesses for exactly 24 years. With full trust in Jehovah she was loyal and always active in the ministry and for almost a quarter of a century happily kept busy sharing with others the precious Bible truths she herself had learned, often several times a week. Jacoba's faith made her strong and she took great comfort in the Bible's promise of an earthly paradise and a resurrection. She believed with all her heart the words of Revelation 21:4 where Jehovah God promises to "wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more". She will be sadly missed until that beautiful day when we will welcome her back.