



**JANTZ,
Marlys M.
Dec. 7, 1942 -
Nov. 22, 2023**

Marlys Maxine Jantz of Drake, aged 80 years, passed away at Central Parkland Lodge, Lanigan, Sask. on Wednesday, November 22, 2023.

Marlys was born and adopted by Isaac and Gladys Epp (Dirks) on December 7, 1942. With her family she moved around from Waldheim to British

Columbia, Saskatoon to Drake. Marlys graciously moved back to Drake in 1965 to be with her brothers, Richard and Donald, after the tragic passing of their parents. 1961 marked the beginning of her teaching career that spanned 39 years. Marlys treasured her school community connections. Marlys was married to Willis in 1966 and they had two children, Rhonda and Greg and lived on the Jantz farm for 50 years. Marlys and her family enjoyed participating in church (locally and with the provincial and Canadian conferences), with community, with friends and family. Marlys especially loved activities such as camping trips, card making, collecting pottery, reading, planning, taking care of others, and of course visits with all of you. With each new activity, her wealth of connections grew. All these people were very special to Marlys. Marlys struggled with many health issues after retirement. Her and Willis moved into town in 2016 to enjoy a simpler life and then in January 2022 she moved to Central Parkland Lodge in Lanigan where she had excellent care and she continued connecting with those around her. Marlys and Willis' connection also grew these last years as did their faith in God.

Marlys will be lovingly remembered by her husband: Willis Jantz, her children: Rhonda (Ed) and Greg (Tamara), grandchildren: Kia (Josh), Avrey and Nolan, great-grandchildren: (Harvey Dean and Watson), brothers: Richard (Gwenyth) Epp and Donald (Dawn) Epp as well as many other family and friends.

She was predeceased by her parents: Isaac and Gladys Epp.

The family wishes to send a special thank you to the staff of Central Parkland Lodge for their excellent care and compassion.

Memorial service was held at North Star Mennonite Church, Drake, Sask. on November 30.

Interment will take place at North Star Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial donations directed to Central Parkland Lodge Activity Department would be appreciated.

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