



**PURVES,  
Evelyn Mae**

Evelyn Purves, aged 90 years, passed away peacefully at the Watrous District Health Complex on Saturday, June 15, 2019.

Evelyn Mae was born on November 19, 1928 to Fred and Marie Parks in Davidson, Sask. Her childhood was spent on the family farm near Craik, Sask. She attended the Sunkist School in

Craik. On September 22, 1956 Evelyn married Edward Purves at the Catholic Church in Craik. While living in Fort Qu'Appelle they welcomed two daughters to the family, Marlene in 1964 and Irene in 1969. In the spring of 1972 the young family moved to Watrous, which became their forever home. Evelyn enjoyed working with and being around people, in Fort Qu'Appelle she worked at the post office. In later years she sold Avon and enjoyed visiting and the social aspect of the job. Evelyn loved gardening from a young age. She loved sharing her gardening accomplishments and attending horticultural shows in Watrous and area throughout the years. Evelyn's interest in gardening led her to open and operate her own greenhouse for a number of years. Evelyn was also involved in many community organizations throughout the years. This included the Salvation Army and the honour of being in the Catholic Women's League for over 50 years. Music was also another passion of Evelyn's. She enjoyed singing in the church choir for many years. Evelyn was also an avid bingo player. She attended the local bingos with her numerous good luck charms. Evelyn was also an animal lover. She was especially fond of cats. She had several throughout her lifetime. Her latest cat Ziggy has been with her for the past 17 years. Ziggy and Evelyn missed each other terribly when Evelyn moved to the healthcare facility earlier this year. Evelyn was very close with her daughters and loved spending time with them. She shared her love and knowledge of gardening and baking with them. Many happy times were spent by the three of them. Sadly after 33 years of marriage Edward passed away in 1989. Evelyn was also predeceased by brother's Allan and Howard and one sister Elsie.

She is survived by her daughters Marlene and Irene, brother Ken Parks, brother-in-law John (Maryanne) Purves, sister-in-law Agnes Faul and many nieces and nephews. Evelyn will be dearly missed by her family.

Mass of the Christian Burial was held at St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church in Watrous on June 21 conducted by Father Richard Meidl, OSB.

Cross bearer was Fred Kahlert. Gena Amendt and Yvonne Mcelree were palls. Pallbearers were Terry Parks, Colin Parks, Roger Parks, Wayne Rogina, Andy Diehl and Earl Amendt Jr. Register attendants were Irene Muir and Treena Lewis. Fran Dagelis was the usher. Prayers of the faithful were given by Laurie Dufour. Lana Schmiedge and Gena Amendt were readers. Yvonne Mcelree and Fred Kahlert were altar servers. Organist was Shelley Engele.

Interment followed the reception at Craik Cemetery.

Memorial donations directed to St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church would be appreciated.

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