



**TOEWS,
Agatha**

Nov. 7, 1928 - Oct. 10, 2015

Agatha Toews completed her earthly journey on Saturday, October 10, 2015. She went to her eternal home peacefully with her husband Henry and family members at her bedside.

Agatha was born in Arden, Man. to Abram and Agatha Regier. She was the third of six children, as well as the first of three daughters. Her family relocated to farm in the Watrous area. As a young girl she worked hard on the family farm, caring for younger siblings, gardening, milking cows and even stooking sheaves at threshing time. Agatha attended Plymouth School, a one-room country school. She later attended two years of Bible school at Dalmeny, Sask. She accepted Jesus as her personal Saviour at a young age and upon her confession of faith was baptized in August 1944. She was a member of the Philadelphia Mennonite Brethren Church. In her early years she practiced her faith by teaching Daily Vacation Bible School and leading the children in Sunday school singing. Agatha married Henry Toews on October 30, 1948. Together they raised seven children. She was committed to her life's vocation of being a devoted helpmate to her husband and a loving mother to her children. Her life's mission each and every day was to love, care and pray for her husband, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was a multitasker and worked endlessly at baking, cooking, canning, sewing and preparing meals. She enjoyed her vegetable and flower gardens. Throughout the years, Agatha worked with and led her church's ladies aid, volunteered at the thrift store, led and participated in Stonecroft Bible studies and sewed many blankets for Mennonite Central Committee. She had a love and passion for the poor, the sick and those less fortunate. She was a humble servant. Agatha's desire was that everyone would come to the same living faith that she had in Jesus Christ, her Lord and Saviour. Agatha appreciated the many friends she made over the years. New friends made while living in Watrous were important and special to her. The family would like to thank doctors, nurses and care staff at Central Parkland Lodge in Lanigan and Watrous District Health Complex for their care and compassion during Agatha's illness.

Agatha will be sadly missed by her loving husband, Henry; five children: Daniel (Rita), Wesley (Sherry), Lester (Karen), Karen (Richard), Allan (Kerri); 13 grandchildren: Martin, Britany (Paul), Kinsey (Amanda), DeLayne, Kelsi, Lisa, Mitchell, Jeffery (Erin), Michael (Wendy), Samuel (Jaylin), Woodrow (Alana), Brianne, Nicole; 11 great grandchildren: Clara, Theo, Lyle, Addison, Nolan, Brodie, Riley, John, Travis, Dawn, Avi; brothers Peter and Jake; brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was held at Philadelphia Mennonite Brethren Church near Watrous on October 17 conducted by Pastor Darren Holland.

Honourary pallbearers were Martin Toews and Sam Klassen. Kinsey Toews, DeLayne Toews, Jeff Klassen, Mike Klassen, Woody Klassen and Mitchell Toews were pallbearers. Guest attendants were Lisa Toews and Brianne Toews. Kelsi Toews gave a picture tribute. Song leader was DeLayne Toews. Kinsey Toews, Jeff Klassen, Woody Klassen, Mike Klassen and Sherry Toews were the musicians. Special music was provided by Sherry Toews, men's chorus, Kerri Toews and Nicole Toews. Tribute from the grandchildren was given by Jeff Klassen and Britany Vinluan.

Private family interment took place at Philadelphia Mennonite Cemetery.

Memorial donations directed to Lanigan Thrift Store or the Mennonite Central Committee would be appreciated.

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