



REMEMBERING Helen Mader

January 15, 1928 - March 17, 2013



Helen passed away peacefully at S.O.G.H. in Oliver on Sunday, March 17, 2013 at the age of 85. She was predeceased by her loving husband of 56 years, Rudy in 2005. Helen (Mom) is survived by her three children, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Son Lonnie (Shannon), Brieanne, Brett (Savery) and great-grandchildren Caprice and Lyla, son Dale (Carrie), Brooklyn (Marshall), Craig Racyne), Jordyn and daughter Stephanie (John), John and Peter. Helen is survived by her brother Paul Blasko (Lil). She is also survived by her very close and loving friend, Stan. Helen was born in Czechoslovakia and immigrated to Canada in 1937 to Meota, Sask. She met Rudy just after WWII and they were married in 1948 moving to Lloydminster, Alberta to raise a family. With the arrival of three children, B.C. looked promising. Upon visiting relations in the south Okanagan they decided to plant roots in Osoyoos in 1968. Mom loved her gardens, especially her flowers. She was a great help to Rudy in his construction business doing most of the painting in the new houses. She was a long time member of the CWL and St. Anne's Church. In her later years with dad and after, she loved travelling, especially to Reno and playing cards with family and friends. You would often see her watching her grandchildren's various sporting events. She loved her family dearly. We would like to thank the nurses and staff of the S.O.G.H. in Oliver for all their understanding and tender-loving care. A special appreciation goes out to Dr. Johnston whose kind words and direction helped us in these trying times. Funeral services will be held at St. Anne's Catholic Church on Friday, April 5 at 10:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Oliver Hospital Palliative Care.

