

FEHR

Jessie Jennie (JEAN) FEHR of Didsbury, Alberta passed away at the Rocky View Hospital in Calgary, Alberta on June 17, 2006 at the age of 91 years. Jean was born on her father's homestead at Westward-Ho on October 17th, 1914. She took her schooling at Westward-Ho and Harmatten. In her later years she so often talked of her horse Topsy and always about her mother's buggy horse Frank. As a young woman Jean took care of her crippled mother as well as caring for a crippled elderly lady that everyone called "Grannie Sutherland". Jean wrote many poems throughout the years, many with a twist of humor. She worked several jobs throughout Alberta, including housekeeping, dental assistant and finally as a camp cook at the Madsen Mill at Coal Camp where she met Ben Fehr. Jean & Ben were married in Didsbury on Aug 16th, 1941 and later bought the Farquharson homestead at Westward-Ho where they raised their family of four. Jean also raised chickens and sold hatching eggs for many years. Shortly after celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 1991, Ben passed away. Jean continued to enjoy life at Westward-Ho. She always loved any kind of animal and her love of gardening, especially her flower garden, brought her contentment. There were many times that she gave lilacs and peonies for weddings and other events. Jean had enjoyed a trip to Hawaii with her two sisters and a special trip to Scotland with her son Dale. She had always dreamed of seeing Scotland where her parents had been born. Jean loved spending time with her grandchildren. All of the grandchildren couldn't wait to be taller than grandma but that didn't take very long seeing that she was only 4 feet 11" tall. A fond memory to all was arriving home to the mouth-watering aroma of fresh bread, gingersnaps and pie. Memories of their special little grandma sitting around the kitchen table doing all sorts of crafts, playing cards, baking, picking berries in the bush and even the odd game of volleyball will remain in their hearts. In 2000, Jean left her 'Home Sweet Home' and moved to the Didsbury Continuing Care Facility. Little Jeannie Beanie soon became her nickname at the lodge as she stole the hearts of all who cared for her. Everyone appreciated her kindness to others and her great sense of humor. Everyone at the Lodge holds a special place in their hearts for Jean. Many times it was said that on a down day, all they needed was a "Jeannie hug" to cheer them up. Jean especially enjoyed the Friday morning music and singing and if you ever needed to find her, just look for the sunshine and she would be there, eating her favorite food, Peppermints. The Lodge had become home to her and where she found contentment, was safe, cared for and loved for the rest of her days. Jean is survived by her loving family, Donna (Louis) Kovacs of Calgary, Dale Fehr of New Brunswick, Denise (Jerry) Dawson of Eagle Valley and Debra Nelson of Sundre. Grandchildren: Katalin (Leslie) Kiss of Calgary; Aniko (Gregg) Abrigo and daughters Zoe & Mia of Hawaii; Eric (Pam) Hengen and son Evan of Westward-Ho; Melany Hengen and son Logan of Sundre; Aaron Dawson of Eagle Valley; Andrea (Cam) Nickel of Camrose; and Kari Dawson & fiance Chris Leslie of Edmonton. She was predeceased by her parents, two brothers, a sister and her husband Ben. Jean Fehr, the tiny little lady who showed us strength, good values and honesty, taught us that laughter is truly the best medicine, and, who brought Sunshine to all of our lives will always be remembered. Funeral services were held at the Mountain View Funeral Chapel in Olds, Alberta on June 26, 2006. at 2:00 pm. with interment following at the Eagle Valley Cemetery,. Condolences to the family may be forwarded from www.mountainviewfuneralchapels.com. Mountain View Funeral Chapel, Olds entrusted with arrangements. Phone: 403-556-3223.