



Jesus, lead Thou on  
Till our rest is won;  
And although the way be cheerless,  
We will follow calm and fearless.  
Guide us by Thy hand  
To our fatherland.

If the way be drear,  
If the foe be near,  
Let not faithless fears o'ertake us;  
Let not faith and hope forsake us;  
For through many a woe  
To our home we go.

When we seek relief  
From a long-felt grief;  
When temptations come alluring,  
Make us patient and enduring;  
Show us that bright shore  
Where we weep no more.

Jesus, lead Thou on  
Till our rest is won.  
Heavenly Leader, still direct us,  
Still support, control, protect us,  
Till we safely stand  
In our fatherland.

**APPRECIATION**

The family wishes to express their gratitude for your kindness evidenced in thought and deed,  
and for your attendance at the funeral service.

SCHULER-LEFEBVRE FUNERAL CHAPEL - Humboldt, Saskatchewan  
"Dedicated to those we serve."

*In Loving Memory Of*  
**Selma Brauer**



*January 18, 1919 ~ December 31, 2018*  
*99 Years*

## **FUNERAL SERVICE:**

Friday, January 4, 2019 - 2:00 p.m.

Faith Lutheran Church, Middle Lake, Saskatchewan

### **Officiant:**

Pastor Ken Keller

### **Scripture Readers:**

Amy Brauer & Karl Baumgardner

### **Music Ministry:**

Organist & Soloist - Sharon Carter

### **Memorial Table Attendants:**

Anika Larre & Carrie-Anne Snell

### **Active Pallbearers:**

Doug Kielau - Darrell Kielau

Paul Snell - Jonathan Snell

Mark Brauer - Landon Larre

## **INTERMENT:**

Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, Middle Lake, Saskatchewan

### **Memorial Luncheon:**

Faith Lutheran Church Basement

### **Memorial Donations:**

Bethany Pioneer Village or Faith Lutheran Church



Selma, the youngest of 12 children, was born to Emil and Emma (nee Gorke) Kielau on January 18, 1919, in Tauroggen, Lithuania. She was 10 years old when her brothers Emil and Otto immigrated to Canada in 1929. Selma had an indomitable spirit and a bit of a feisty nature. Those traits helped her to survive some very difficult years. The Second World War began when Selma was 20 years old. During those years she lost contact with family members and was constantly moving to keep ahead of the advancing Red Army. It was only many years later, through the help of the Red Cross, that the family once again was able to establish contact with each other. In 1949, her brother Emil Kielau sponsored her to come to Canada, and she arrived in Halifax on March 10, 1949 as a refugee. Selma met her husband Alex through her brother Otto Kielan, and they were married on October 12, 1950, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Middle Lake. Emil's wife Ruby took Selma under her wing and taught her English and how to be a successful farm wife. Mom truly appreciated Ruby's help and kindness and often referred to her as an angel. Two children were born to Selma and Alex; Karen in 1952, and Lorne in 1953. Mom was a wonderful hostess. No one ever left her home hungry, as she loved to cook and bake and always had more than enough to feed all her guests. In those earlier years, her feasts were cooked on a wood stove. Her days were filled with gardening, canning, family, faith and caring for the farm animals. She was an active member of Faith Lutheran Church and the Ladies Aid. Mom was very proud to attain her Canadian Citizenship on January 28, 1964. 1972 was a highlight, as that is the year that Mom and Dad travelled to Germany for a family reunion. This was the first time the brothers and sisters had been together since Otto and Emil immigrated in 1929. After her children left home, Mom decided that she wasn't busy enough and began to work at Bethany Pioneer Village. Also during that time, Mom and Dad began to satisfy their love of travel. They went on many vacations, both large and small. The highlights were: Hawaii, Florida, Canadian Maritimes, England and Scotland. In 1980, Mom and Dad sold the farm and moved into Dad's parents' home in Middle Lake, kitty corner to Faith Lutheran Church. In 1995, they sold their home and moved into a suite at Bethany Pioneer Village. Mom's beloved Alex passed away on September 2, 2006. Mom continued to live in her suite until May 2011 when she moved to Birch Manor in Bethany. Five years later she moved into Aspen Manor for full care. Mom felt at home in Bethany and was very lucky to have been able to transition as needed to different levels of care all within her home community. Mom missed her beloved Alex terribly for the last 12 years. It was her deeply held wish to "go home to Alex". Our family is comforted by the belief that they are together again.

Selma will be lovingly remembered and sadly missed by her two children, five grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren: **Karen** Snell (Ken) and family, **Charma** Larre (David) and children, Landon, Anika and Danae, **Paul** Snell (Angela) and daughter Carrie-Anne, **Jonathan** Snell (Sabrina) and children, Paige, Temperance and Carter; and **Lorne** Brauer (Colleen) and family, **Amy** Brauer (Jeff), and **Mark** Brauer. Selma was predeceased by her husband, Alex Brauer.