



My Mother's Garden

My Mother kept a garden, a garden of the heart.
She planted all the good things, that gave my life its start.
She turned me to the sunshine, and encouraged me to dream,
Fostering and nurturing, the seeds of self-esteem.
And when the winds and rain came,
She protected me enough, but not too much because she knew
I'd need to stand up strong and tough.
Her constant good example
Always taught me right from wrong,
Markers for my pathway, that will last a lifetime long.
I am my Mother's garden. I am her legacy,
And I hope today she feels the love
Reflected back from me.

"Our family wishes to express our gratitude for your kindness and support."

SCHULER-LEFEBVRE FUNERAL CHAPEL - Humboldt, Saskatchewan

"Dedicated to those we serve."

*Für Immer In Unseren Herzen
Maria Theodora Rauert*



*January 28, 1928 ~ September 29, 2019
91 Years*

Maria was born in Molbergen, Germany and grew up in the town of Dwergte. She came from a family of 4 sisters and 3 brothers. In 1957 she met and married the love of her life, Otto Rauert. Taking a leap of faith, she joined her husband in Canada a year later, arriving in Vancouver where they had a wonderful second honeymoon. In 1960, Maria and Otto moved to St. Gregor where they farmed and raised livestock. Maria worked side by side with Otto, doing whatever was needed to make the farm a success, while at the same time learning English and raising a family of 3 daughters and 2 sons. Maria was very industrious and mastered many skills including gardening, canning, cooking, baking, wine making, sewing, crocheting, knitting and needlepoint. She enjoyed other activities such as dancing, bowling, curling, playing cards, choir, CWL/church activities and family vacations. Maria also liked travelling and went on many trips back to Germany, to tropical islands, and to places in the U.S. In 1984, Maria and Otto retired to Humboldt where she continued to be active in the community. She was blessed with 12 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren who she loved dearly. For Maria, family was everything. She hosted many gatherings to bring everyone together and often visited her kids to help them out or to attend special occasions. The passing of both her husband and her eldest daughter Doris in 2013 was a very difficult time in her life. Later in 2013, Maria moved to Caleb Village where she lived until 2016. She then moved to Saskatoon to be near her two daughters. As a resident of the Samaritan Place she received wonderful care from the many nurses, care aides and other staff. Maria will always be remembered for her welcoming and loving nature, tremendous generosity, and ability to make people smile and laugh. Maria will be lovingly remembered by, son-in-law Kevin Bunz (Iris Talbourdet) of Watrous, **Chris** Bunz and daughter **Parker, Shawna** (Lincoln) Ramsay and daughters **Aria** and **Nola**, and **Dayna** (Eric) Mak; **Linda** Rauert (Tim Boechler) of Saskatoon; **Brenda** (Dion) Engele of Saskatoon, **Kara** (Kris) Gebkenjans and daughters **Teagan** and **Colbie, Raeann** (Cody) Krawchuk, and **Barret** Engele; **Andrew** (Deanna) Rauert of St. Gregor, **Marli** (James) Bells and daughters **Heidi** and **Shea, Brennan** (Martina) Rauert, and **Erin** Rauert (Jacob Reifferscheid) and daughters **Summer** and **Natalie; David** (Lisa) Rauert of Regina, **Kayla** Rauert (Quin Hoyer), **Megan** Rauert, and **Hannah** Rauert. Maria is survived by her beloved family in Germany: sister Leni Kayser, sisters-in-law Hedwig Vaske and Marlies Vaske, brother-in-law Gerhard Weber, and numerous nieces and nephews. Maria was predeceased by her husband Otto Rauert, daughter **Doris** Bunz, parents Wilhelm and Helena Vaske, 3 sisters and 3 brothers, and other relatives in Germany.

FUNERAL MASS:

Thursday, October 3, 2019 - 10:30 a.m.
St. Augustine R.C. Church, Humboldt, Saskatchewan

Celebrant: Fr. Prosper Abotsi

Crossbearer: Martina Rauert

Scripture Readers: Marli Bells & Erin Rauert

Intentions: Kara Gebkenjans & Raeann Krawchuk

Giftbearers: Erin Rauert & Summer Reifferscheid

Singers: Shawna Ramsay & Dayna Mak

Music Ministry:

Director: Loretta Schugmann **Organist:** Dolores Hinz
and members of the St. Augustine Parish Funeral Choir

Memorial Table Attendants: Kayla, Megan & Hannah Rauert

Active Pallbearers:

Chris Bunz, Brennan Rauert, Barret Engele, Lincoln Ramsay, Eric Mak,
Kris Gebkenjans, Cody Krawchuk, James Bells, Jacob Reifferscheid

Honorary Pallbearers:

“All those who shared in Maria’s life.”

INTERMENT:

Following the funeral mass, the immediate family will attend
the graveside service at St. Augustine R.C. Cemetery, Humboldt

Eulogy & Lunch:

Everyone is welcome to join the family for lunch at the St. Augustine Parish Hall

Memorial Donations:

Samaritan Place, 375 Cornish Road, Saskatoon, SK, S7T 0P3