

In Loving Memory of

Rose Lea Mertz

Bethany Pioneer Village
Middle Lake, Saskatchewan

BORN:

August 9, 1917
Middle Lake District, Saskatchewan

DIED:

April 16, 2014
Humboldt District Hospital
Humboldt, Saskatchewan

AGE:

96 Years

FUNERAL MASS:

Monday, April 21, 2014 - 10:30 a.m.

Canadian Martyrs Roman Catholic Church Middle Lake, Saskatchewan

Celebrant: Fr. Daniel Muyres, OSB

Crossbearer: Dale Mertz

Urnbearer: Glen Mertz

Scripture Readers & Prayers of the Faithful:

Michelle Mertz & Carla Mertz

Giftbearers: Lillian Galambos & Denise Galambos

Organist: Rhonda Baker

Honorary Pallbearers: "All those who shared in Rose's life."

INTERMENT:

(At a later date)

Canadian Martyrs Roman Catholic Cemetery Middle Lake, Saskatchewan

Memorial Donations:

Bethany Pioneer Village or Canadian Martyrs Cemetery Fund

Memorial Luncheon: Middle Lake Community Hall

Eulogist: Carleen Richardson

Rose, the second child in a family of 11, was born on August 9, 1917, to John and Anne (nee Hutnick) Olynuik at home on their farm in the Middle Lake district. Rose married Joseph Mertz and they farmed in the Wilmot area for a number of years. They were blessed with a family of four children: Roman, Lillian, Ervin and Linda. They owned the Middle Lake café where Lillian and Linda helped work. Rose loved cooking so took on the position of cooking at Bethany Pioneer Village where she was also treasurer. Rose and her brother Bill were inseparable and fishing was one of the things they did together. She also loved curling, bowling, and was an avid bingo player with her best friend, Mary Swingenschloegl. They split everything they won (turkeys, etc.) and Mary was so happy when Rose moved. Rose had quite the green thumb when it came to gardening and there wasn't a berry that was safe in the country when she was near. She did gardening right up to the age of 92.

Rose will be lovingly remembered by her four children, 11 grandchildren, and 25 great-grandchildren: **Roman** Mertz of Middle Lake and family, **Glen** (Trish) Mertz and children **Kyle** and **Kaylee**, (David's family) **Carla** and son **Luke**, **Karen** (Hal) Smith and children **Haley**, **Alysha** and **Cole**, **Wayne** (Michelle) Mertz and children **Heather** and **Sarah**, **Donna** (Darcy) Altermatt and children **Dalan** and **Danae**, and **Dale** Mertz; **Lillian** Galambos of St. Benedict and family, **Daryl** (Leanne) Galambos and children **Paige**, **Dakota** and **McKenzie**, **Denise** Galambos and children **Brendan** and **Kaileigh**, and **Darla** (Ted) Pipchuk and children **Tanner** and **Jesse**; **Ervin** Mertz of Pilger and family, **Carleen** Richardson and children **Mark**, **Megan** and **Matthew**; and **Linda** (Norman) Lux of Humboldt and family, **Bonnie** Lux and children **Brett** and **Bailey**, and **Lisa** (Gord) Bilinski and children **Ty** and **Chaz**; one brother and two sisters: Mike Olynuik of Middle Lake, Josephine Storer of Bobcaygeon, ON, and Helen Christ of Prince Albert; in-laws: Hilda Olynuik of British Columbia, Stan Desormeau of Saskatoon, and Sophie Olynuik of Humboldt; and by numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Joseph Mertz; daughter-in-law, Sylvia Mertz; son-in-law, Delmar Galambos; two grandsons: Colin Mertz and David Mertz; great-granddaughter, Faith Mertz; parents, John and Anne (nee Hutnick) Olynuik; five brothers and two sisters: Bill Olynuik (in infancy), Bill Olynuik, Nick Olynuik, Tony Olynuik, Patricia Desormeau, Mary (Edgar) Brons, and Pete Olynuik; in-laws: Leona Olynuik, Doug Storer, and Ralph Christ; and by other family members.

