

Songs mom Taught us

He Doesn't See Me With His Eyes

It all began the day that I had failed to do the thing I knew was right. I guess the reason that He loves me. He doesn't see me with His eyes but with His heart.

Morning Town Ride

Sarah's at the engine. Tony rings the bell. John swings the lantern to show that all is well...

Day Is Done

Tell me why you are crying my son. Are you frightened like everyone? Is it the thunder in the distance you fear? Will it help if I stay very near? I am here

Just Any Day Now

Just any day now, our Lord is coming. He'll be returning for you and me. Oh I've been watching and I've been waiting. Just any day now His face I'll see.

Lead Me To Water

Oh, are we vain and uncaring. So cruel in our passion for power... Lead me to water, deliver my life, lead me to water, make end to this trouble and strife.

Everlasting Joy

...Now I have that everlasting joy within, since King Jesus took away my sin...

God On The Mountain

...but the God of the mountain is still God in the valley...

Going Up Home

Troubles and trials often betray us, causing our weary bodies to stray. But we can walk beside the still waters with the good Shepherd leading the way...

My Marvelous Little Toy

...it went zip when it moved. Pop, when is stopped. Whirr when it stood still. I never knew just what it was and I guess I never will!

In The Field

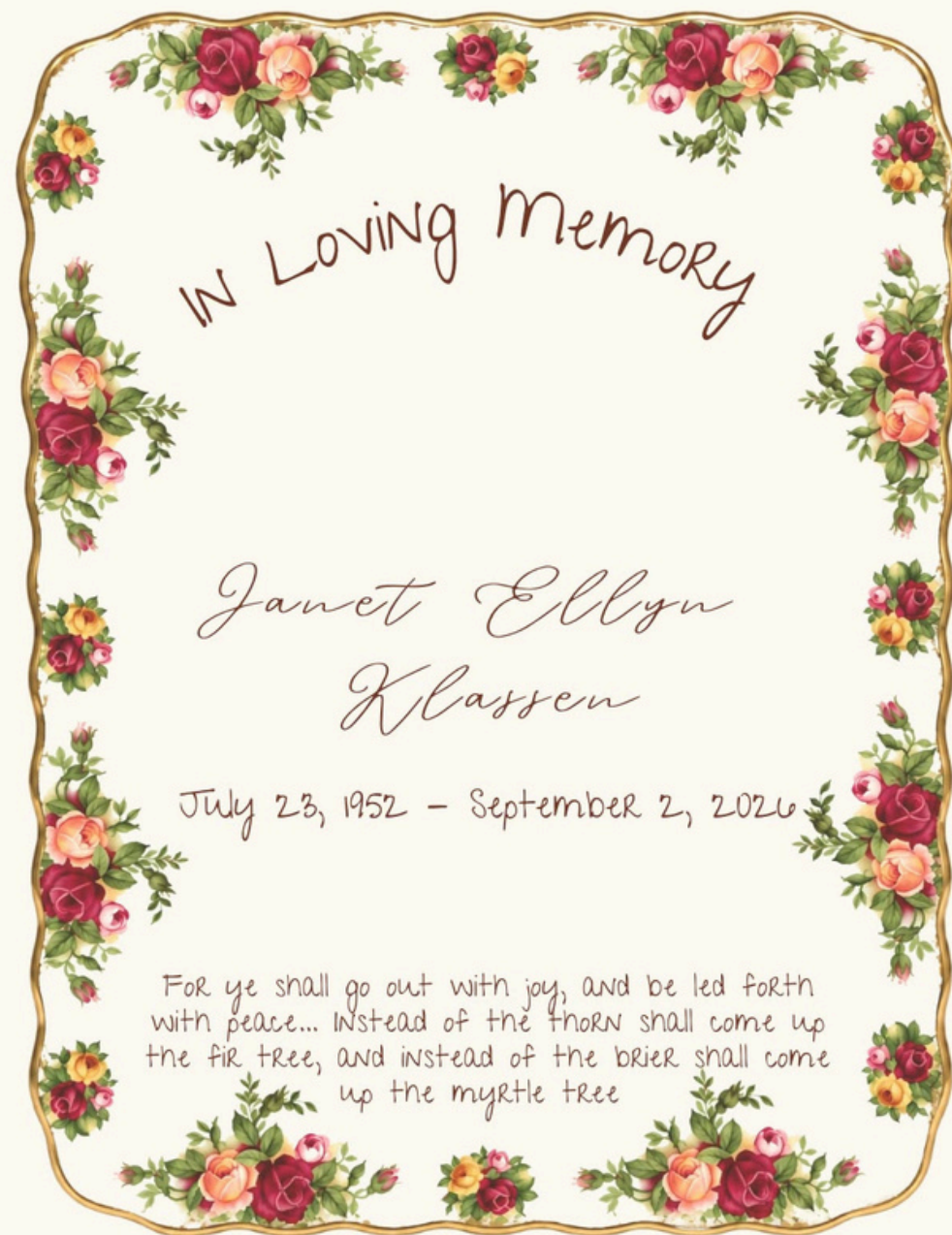
There is peace and contentment in the Father's house today...

Don't Lose Your Vision

I remember a time. I remember a place when Jesus so sweetly came in...

Sunset
Funeral Service

Linden: (403) 546-3903 Trochu: (403) 442-2200
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In Loving Memory of
Janet Ellyn Klassen
July 23, 1952 - September 2, 2026

Funeral Service

10:30 a.m. Sunday, September 13, 2026
Mount Ida Church of God in Christ, Mennonite
Enderby, British Columbia

Choir: Nieces & Nephews

Officiating Ministers

Titus Mandel, Dallas Nikkel, Uncle Arlen Johnson

Prelude

Introduction & Prayer

Eulogy

Congregational Song

Sermon

Special Song By Choir

Closing Thoughts & Prayer

Postlude

Casket Bearers

Cole Damen Jordon Toews Ethan Yost Clark Damen
Damian Toews Jared Isaac Adam Reimer Clinton Toews
Eric Johnson

Place of Rest

Cliffside Cemetery

Fellowship & Refreshments to follow the Graveside Service

We would like to give a special thank-you to Aunt Rhena for her loving care of our mom.

Janet Ellyn Klassen

July 23, 1952 – September 2, 2026

Our dear Mom, Grammie, Great Grammie and Sister Janet Ellyn Johnson Klassen was born to Leonard and Ruth (Nichols) Johnson in La Junta, Colorado, USA, on July 23, 1952. She peacefully passed away from complications of surgery on Wednesday, September 2, 2026, reaching the age of 74 years.

At the age of 8, she moved with her family across the Canadian border during a blizzard. There they settled on the massive Vee Bar Vee Ranch in Southern Alberta, along with her much-loved Uncle Vernon Nichols' family. Although they only lived there for about a year, it seemed they packed a decade's worth of memories into that short time. From there, they moved to Linden, AB, where they lived until she was 13; afterwards, they moved up to Homestead in Silver Valley, AB. She had a fun memory of riding inside of their house while it was being moved the 90 miles from Grande Prairie, AB, to their homestead that they had carved out of the muskeg.

She was baptized into the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite on December 18, 1966, in Silver Valley, AB, at 14 years of age.

At 16, she left home, moving to Grande Prairie to work to send money back to her family. This is where she met her husband-to-be.

At 17, she moved to Fairview, Oklahoma, USA, where she worked as a nurse aide and lived among her family, making precious lifelong friends. On March 7, 1971, she was married to our dad, Denver Klassen, in Fairview, Oklahoma, by her Grandpa George Nichols. They settled in Grande Prairie, where they welcomed their eldest daughter, Tanya, and then moved to Crooked Creek, BC, where two more daughters were born. In 1983, we moved to Edberg, where Dad built Mom her 3rd new house. Together they started Sierra Design Furnishings, building church furniture. This business included all of us as a family, and we often travelled together to install church pews.

One of Mom's highlights was going to Guatemala with Dad in 1976 with the Red Cross to rebuild after the earthquake. While working together, they made many special friends. While there, Mom bought a notebook where she began writing out songs she loved and kept adding to it through the years. She taught us girls to sing by ear, and we spent many hours singing while travelling in our old blue car. Singing was an integral part of Mom's life and was passed on to us girls. Even as a teen at home, she made her brothers sing, and they remember being threatened with a broom if they did not comply. She also loved designing, decorating, and managing the log cabin bed & breakfast that dad built on our farm.

She had an extraordinary relationship with her nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly, and they loved and cared for her in return. She had the ability to relate to anybody in any circumstance.

All of us knew that Mom's purse held the answers to most immediate problems, and her grandchildren found much joy in its depths.

In her later years, she tried hard to disguise how much pain she was in and could deeply empathize with anyone who was hurting.

She gave the best hugs, and we will deeply miss her snappy comments and colourful humour. Even when not feeling well, you couldn't pull anything over her! In the last year, each of us girls has had a special time with her. Her softness of spirit and deep love for us was evident. Whispering the name of Jesus carried her through her deepest suffering. A song that came to one of us girls in a special way during her final hours was "It Is Well with My Soul." It feels like a light has left this world, yet we are so grateful that God, in His mercy, relieved her suffering. Her last text to her eldest daughter was "I will be doing better in the morning. Love, Mom".

Those who will miss her most are her daughters, Tanya and Adam Mason, of Greensburg, Kansas, USA; Yolanda and Mike Damen, of Enderby, BC; Michela and Kelly Toews, of McPherson, Kansas, USA. Her grandchildren, Madison, Ethan, Elle, and Cy Yost, Clarabelle and Jared Isaac, Cole and Cheyanne Damen, Autumn and Adam Reimer, Clark Damen, Jordan, Leah, and Damian Toews; her great-grandchildren, Everly, Hope, Oaklynn and Husband Denver Klassen; her brothers, Arlen and Joanne Johnson, Merle and Debra Johnson, Stanton and Becky Johnson, Nolan and Sheri Johnson; her sisters, Diane Reimer and Rhena and Roger Toews; her sister-in-law, Fay and Robert Isaac; and her special friends, Star, Rachel, Dot and Becky.

Preceding her in death are her parents, her older brother, Delton Johnson, her brother-in-law, Ellis Reimer and her nephew, Trenton Toews.

Your prayers, messages, and meals have been such a comfort to the family. Thank you.