



**REMEMBERING**  
**Anne Marie Dyck**

February 28, 1930 - May 25, 2023



Anne Marie Dyck (nee Dyck), age 93, passed away peacefully at Menno Home in Abbotsford, BC, on the morning of May 25, 2023. She suffered from dementia, and a bout of COVID from which she did not recover.

Anne and her twin sister were born in Hague, Saskatchewan. It was the Great Depression, so living was often harsh. As a young woman, Anne went to Saskatoon to work, and take a course at Sewing Syndicate. She spent several years doing detailed sewing work which included made-to-measure men's suits. She met Frank in Saskatoon, who proposed to her on her birthday in 1950. They were married March 3, 1951.

Frank worked for The Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, which meant transfers to various places: Rosthern, Edmonton, Wetaskiwin, Calgary. Anne took the moves in her stride and created artful households for their family of three daughters, Carol, Janet and Barbara. Then Frank was asked to take on the position of Treasurer for The Conference of Mennonites in Canada. This meant a move to Winnipeg, where the family made many friends, mostly in connection with members of Charleswood Mennonite Church. Anne became pregnant with a fourth child who, sadly, was stillborn. He was named Robert, and it was a somber time in the Dyck household.

Anne was an exceptionally creative woman. She provided hospitality in the form

of delicious meals, and lodging, for many visitors through the years. Her skills included sewing, as mentioned, reupholstering furniture, renovating, and decorating homes (her own!), knitting, candle making, millinery, flower arranging, and just about anything she put her hands and mind to. In her forties, she surprised everyone by taking up oil painting, and without any lessons, created many works—mostly of landscapes and floral arrangements—that displayed a natural understanding of light, colour, perspective, and depth.

Frank and Anne moved to British Columbia in 1979, where Frank became Administrator of the Menno Home. Mom's paintings still grace hallways and rooms there, in churches they attended, and finally at Primrose Gardens, where Frank and Anne became residents at the very place Frank had served for 15 years. When Anne had to move to Menno Home for more extensive care, some of her paintings followed her.

Anne was predeceased by 9 sisters and brothers: Tina, Gertrude, Mary, Helen, Ben, Henry, John, Peter, and Jacob; and three stepsisters: Margaret, Tina, and Elizabeth.

She is survived by husband Frank, 3 daughters: Carol (Ted) Wiebe, Janet (Walter) Bergen and Barbara (Karl) Pearson.

She is also survived by 6 grandchildren: Jason, Michael, Joel, Rachel, Jessica, and Lara and 4 great

grandchildren: Madeleine, Sebastian, Lennix and Dorian. Anne kept in touch as she was able, with nieces and nephews, and their families.

Interment will take place at Maclure Road Cemetery, Abbotsford, on June 29, 2023 at 11 am for the family, followed by a public service at Emmanuel Mennonite Church at 2pm. The address is 3471 Clearbrook Road, Abbotsford. Online condolences can be made to the family at [www.wiebeandjeskefh.com](http://www.wiebeandjeskefh.com) Donations can be made to Mennonite Central Committee Ukraine, or at the giver's discretion.

