



REMEMBERING
Catherine May Abma
May 1, 1940 - April 18, 2020



Tribute from Wiebe and Jeske Funeral Home

Wiebe and Jeske Funeral Home Staff send our condolences to family and friends.

Tribute from Lis Friesen

Relation: My delightful former neighbour.

The tribute to your mom is just ever so beautiful! She was a charming neighbour and I enjoyed her company and personality. She left us with a radiant testimony of faithfulness and I look forward to finding her in Heaven just to catch up. All glory to God our Saviour and King!

Tribute from Susan Hample

Relation: Friends of the Loewen Family

Marilyn, Stan, Kyra & Kaylea - We have only fond memories of May. Our deepest sympathies go out to you.

Love, The Hample family

Our deepest condolences

Tribute from Jenn (Gilmour) Pent

Thinking of you all and praying for you in your time of loss, especially in this difficult season. Praying your beautiful memories and God's close presence will bring comfort today and in the days ahead.

Tribute from Joyce Kehler

Relation: Fellow Nurse at the MSA Peds and Maternity wards

Dear Family,

So glad for May that she could be released to her eternal Home. My father had dementia so it was so hard to watch the mental changes. May was such a delightful, sweet compatriot, and I always enjoyed working with her, and experiencing that caring for her patients and that lovely gentle laugh, which I can hear even now. It was such a joy to know her and to spend time with her. God give you Peace during this hard time when you cannot even have a memorial service for her. Please let me know when you do, as she had many friends on Paediatrics. Love Joyce

Tribute from Janet Baillies

Relation: I worked with her at MSA Hospital

It was with great sadness that I heard of May's passing. I met her in 1992 when I arrived in Abbotsford to be the Manager of Paediatrics. May brought a kindness and a sense of calmness with her to the children on the Ward. The staff respected her for the same reasons. You could always rely on May. She was practical but could surprise you with her quick humor. She was a lovely person.

Tribute from Kelly Whitney

Relation: We worked together at MSA hospital

Hi. I had the pleasure of working with May at MSA. I have many fond memories of her kind and loving spirit, her dedication to nursing, her love of family. My condolences to all.

Tribute from Helen Schroeder

Relation: friend

I worked with May for a number of years on the Paediatric unit at MSAH. i was a unit clerk the time. I loved the beautiful tribute you wrote for your mom and thats the way I remember her as well. She is with the Lord and deserves a special place in Heaven. May God bless and comfort you as you mourn for her. Would love to be at a memorial if you have one in the future.

Tribute from Cindy Goerzen

Relation: Co-worker in Nursing

May was a wonderful person and a very caring nurse. I had the privilege of working with her for several years on the Pediatric ward at MSA Hospital. Deepest sympathies to all of you.

Tribute from Joe Sharp

Relation: As above

Sincere condolences to May's family. May and I were class mates starting with Kindergarten at Devine St School, Our families lived across the road from each other on Ann St in Sarnia. Not surprised at all to learn of all the things May accomplished in her life. Both May and Rose were great kids in our young lives and Mr and Mrs Turley were wonderful parents.

As an aside they also had the neatest car in the hood. A green Model T Ford Circa 1930.

Joe Sharp

Tribute from Lila and Ralph Shaule

Relation: Friends

We grew to love May over the 10 years they lived in the Sault. So many Sundays we enjoyed a roast dinner after church at their table. We shared many Mom moments with our kids and I always treasured the times we shared wallpapering and trying to teach me tennis. Our love of God and nursing was a bond and we missed her so much when she moved. Our condolences to Murray, Marilyn and Jennifer and their families. Ralph and Lila Shaule

Tribute from Penni Anderson

Relation: Co-worker at MSA hospital

I worked with May for several years on both the Pediatric and Maternity units at MSA, she was a kind, gentle soul with a wonderful sense of humour, she was a delight to work with and will be fondly remembered

Tribute from Doug Mc Clintock

Relation: Friend

May lived across from Bette Sharp on Ann St. in Sarnia in her younger days.

Bette and me got married in June 1957 and May was a bridesmaid.

The Turley family went to Temple Baptist Church then for some years and I remember May and Rose very well. Very good memories !

Tribute from Marlene Wyville (nee Dudley)

Relation: I moved to Sarnia, across the street from May, when we were both in grade seven at Devine Street School. We drifted apart while we were in high school, but periodically I would hear about May from mutual friends.

My condolences for the loss of your mother.

Tribute from Grace Silvester (nee MacBain)

Relation: Friend as a teenager at Temple Baptist Church, Sarnia, On. My Father was the Pastor of Temple Baptist Church.

My deepest sympathies to the family of May on her passing. It was very interesting for me to read of her life and family as I had known May and Hans as members of our youth group in Temple Baptist Church in Sarnia. They were both very active in the Church and provided leadership in our youth group. She was a good Bible student and her life demonstrated that she lived what she believed. It seemed very appropriate that she become a nurse due to her compassionate concern for others. Over the years we had lost contact with her but have never forgotten her dedication to the Lord. She obviously influenced and taught her children the ways of God and demonstrated her love for God to others. We are saddened with her passing but believe her life and witness will continue to influence others for the Lord.

Tribute from Lorraine Claydon

Relation: We were 2nd cousins

To Rose her sister: So sorry to hear of your loss, remember all the years we spent together in Sarnia going back and forth on the train. Miss you both so much. Love Lorraine

Tribute from John Thompson

Relation: Friend

I thank God for the lives of Hans and Catherine during their time of ministry in Cambridge, Ontario. As I think back to the years of acquaintance with the Abma daughters and son, it was quite evident to see Mom and Dad's dedication to showing God in all that they did. Thank you Catherine for your testimony and for touching many lives through your family.

Tribute from Jack Campbell

Relation: former Pastor at Sevenoaks Alliance church

I remember May (and Hans) as such servants in our church family at Sevenoaks Alliance. Love and prayers to you as a family as you mourn her passing.

Tribute from Ruth Sherk

Relation: Cared for May while working at Tabor

Dear Marilyn,

I follow the Abby Obits and noticed May's passing. Sending you my sincere condolences. It was an honour to walk with you during my tenure at Tabor. Your dad & mom shone their lights in unique and delightful ways - chatting, encouraging and wiling to spread their love & smiles. May you and your family feel their closeness , while they have parted, and now together.

Sincerely, Ruth Sherk

