



REMEMBERING
Lydia Schmidt

January 31, 1913 - June 22, 2012



Our wonderful Mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother is now with the Lord. We were all blessed to have her in our lives. Our loving Mother was born at Herbert, Sask., the daughter of Rev. George & Anna Buhler. At an early age Mother accepted the Lord Jesus as her personal Saviour and was baptized on June 5, 1927 by her father. On August 12, 1934 she was united in marriage with Jacob C. Schmidt at Herbert, Sask. Mother was a faithful wife and helpmate to our father who served as teacher, pastor, missionary and bishop with the Mennonite Conference. She was always there assisting father in their service to the Lord. This included much travel and many moves. In 1966 she and Dad were called by the Mission Board of the General Conference Mennonite Church to start a Bible School and Church in Mexico. They both described this period of their lives as "serving with great joy." In January 1972 they moved to Abbotsford where Dad accepted the call to the Clearbrook Mennonite Church and Mother served as organist. She played the piano/organ in most places they served and was involved in ladies aides. She always played hostess to all the visiting ministers and missionaries. Mother is survived by two sons, Earl (Jean) in Victoria and Robert (Joyce) in Abbotsford/Phoenix; and three daughters, Carole (John) Neufeld of Kelowna, Ann Marie (Len) Schellenberg of Abbotsford and Lynette (Peter) Shenkaruk of Saskatoon; 13 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren. She is predeceased by her loving husband, 2 sisters and 2 brothers, 1 grandchild and 1 son-in-law. We as a family are thankful that we were able to give our parents a month together in Hawaii where mother celebrated her 65th birthday. Father passed away at the airport in Honolulu, preparing to return home. We will miss you so much, Mother! You have left us with many great memories. We praise God for your life. You have now taken this wonderful trip to Heaven. We look forward to seeing you again in our Heavenly

Father's Home. Many thanks to the Tabor Home staff and residents for their friendship and caring.

Celebration of life will be held at the Clearbrook Mennonite Church: 32027 Peardonville Rd., Abbotsford, on Monday July 2nd, at 1:30 P.M. Pastor Siegbert Zukowski officiating.

