



*Eternal rest grant unto your servant Clare,
O Lord, and let eternal light shine upon her.*

*“Don’t Cry for me
Don’t shed a tear
I’ve been set free
No need to fear
God spoke to me
My time has come
He made a way to bring me home”*



*“I saw the light
I took his hand
We flew on high
To a promised land
My soul lives on
To a better place
With all his glory
With all his grace”*

~ Libby L. Allen



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In Loving Memory

CLARE BURNS

1937 - 2019

CLARE KATHLEEN BURNS

OCTOBER 30, 1937 - MAY 28, 2019

Clare Kathleen Burns (nee Tarnes) of Calgary passed away Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at Revera McKenzie Towne Retirement Residence at the age of 81 years. Clare is survived by her children, Jeffrey (Laree Burgoyne), Suzanne Eckstadt (Robert), Lisa Spehar (Louie), Diana Gowans (David), Jason (Lauren Cowles); her sisters, Marian Tarnes (Roger) of Moose Jaw, SK and Carol Gisi (David) of Medicine Hat, AB and her brother Peter Tarnes (Irene) of Estevan, SK. She was predeceased by her husband Donald Thomas Burns, and her parents Louis and Anne Tarnes. Clare was a loving Nana to grandchildren, Megan Eckstadt (Jordan Dahl), Justin Eckstadt (Lydia Mudge), Jessica Eckstadt (Michael Torjan), Rachel Sedgeworth, Colton Gowans, Mason Gowans, Julia Spehar and Owen Burns. She will be fondly remembered by several nieces, nephews and close friends too numerous to mention. Clare touched many lives as both a primary teacher and a music director for her

beloved 'Sunshine Girls'. She also enjoyed gardening, bridge and square dancing, which she shared with her husband Don. She had a strong faith and was a founding member as well as an active parishioner of St. Michael Catholic Community since 1960. The family wishes to extend special thanks to the staff at Rivera McKenzie Towne Retirement Residence for their care and companionship.

"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." —Mark 10:14

TRIBUTES

Delores Metzinger Jane Salzl
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Suzanne Eckstadt Diana Gowans

HONOUR GUARD

Catholic Women's League

CONCELEBRATED FUNERAL MASS

St. Michael's Catholic Community
Thursday, June 6, 2019 at 10:30am

CELEBRANTS

The Rev. John Nemanic
The Rev. Julian Studden

URN BEARER ~ Suzanne Eckstadt

READERS

Caroline Gisi Jason Burns

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

David Gowans Louie Spehar

MUSICIAN ~ Jim Howells

MUSICAL SELECTIONS

St. Michael's Music Ministry

GIFT BEARERS

Owen Burns Megan Eckstadt
Jessica Eckstadt Justin Eckstadt
Colton Gowans Mason Gowans
Rachel Sedgeworth Julia Spehar

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Suzanne Eckstadt Caroline Gisi
Diana Gowans Lisa Spehar
Marian Tarnes Peter Tarnes

GRAVESIDE SERVICE

St. Michael's Columbarium

PHOTO MEMORIES

Prepared by Clare's Family

RECEPTION

St. Michael's Gathering Area