

Verna passed away peacefully on June 22, 2025, in her 100th year. Verna was born in Wilmot Township 99 years ago, on August 21, 1925.

Verna will be remembered by her family Anna Bender, Edward and Marlene Schwartzentruber, Janet and Bernie Breach, Diane and Larry Lichty, and Eva Schwartzentruber.

She was predeceased by family Milton Schwartzentruber, Ina and William Schmidt, Ken Bender, Catherine Stock, Esther and Anson Kennel and Carl Schwartzentruber. Verna is lovingly remembered by her many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Verna was a life time member of Steinmann Mennonite Church, her faith shaped her approach to all aspects of her life. Verna worked at Provident Book store for many years which allowed her to explore her passion for reading and knowledge. Verna's life spanned a century. Throughout her life, Verna remained flexible, independent, current in all topics, and engaged and interested in her friends' and family's lives. Verna was a trailblazer for her generation, and yet lived simply. She had a passion for genealogy, history (especially Biblical), environmental and women's issues, and loved a good political debate. She listened to CBC every day for news, current affairs, classical music, and comedy. She had a heart for the marginalized. Her compassion, resilience and forward thinking will be remembered by many.

A green burial has taken place at Steinmann Mennonite Church Cemetery.

As expressions of sympathy, donations can be made to Steinmann Mennonite Church Capital Projects Fund or Nithview Home Building Project.



## A service of worship in memory of

### Verna Schwartzentruber

Steinmann Mennonite Church, Baden

July 13, 2025 2:00 pm

Prelude	Doris Martin
Call to Worship	Pastor Ben Cassels
Hymn: <i>Jesus, thou mighty Lord</i>	insert
Scripture: Psalm 36: 5-9	
Hymn: <i>I'll praise my Maker</i>	insert
Remembering Verna	Sue Kennel
Gift of Music	Blake and Emily Schwartzentruber, and Courtney (Witmer) Paba
Poem	Shirley Kennel
Scripture: 1 John 3:1-3; Romans 8: 31-39	Crystal Witmer
Meditation	Pastor Louise Wideman
Hymn: <i>Children of the Heavenly Father</i>	VT 517
Prayer	
Hymn: <i>Lift Your Glad Voices</i>	VT 340
Benediction	
Postlude	

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*All are invited to the Fellowship Hall for food and fellowship.*

#### **Leading Us in Worship:**

**Song Leader:** Norma Iutzi

**Accompanist:** Doris Martin

**A/V:** Cliff Kennel, Steve Kennel