

## In Memoriam – Tribute to Louise Rheeder



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It is with sadness that the SAQG learned of the passing of Louise Rheeder, who passed away peacefully at the venerable age of 98 years.

“Tannie Louise” (as she was known) was a legend in the Orange Free State, where she taught patchwork and quilting. A member of the Oranje Quilters Guild, she was also a founder member of the SAQG and represented Oranje on the SAQG committee. Louise had a wonderful, infectious sense of humour and was truly dedicated to sharing her knowledge. She attended many festivals where she offered classes and enthusiastically taught sewing skills to outreach groups.

Louise was the recipient of the SAQG Pro Dedicate award in 2000, honouring her for her contribution to quilting in South Africa.

Christa Gouws, chairlady of the Oranje Quilters Guild, writes:

Mev Rheeder, of Tannie Louise, soos ons haar geken het, was ‘n boer/plaasvrou uit die Senekal-distrik, Vrystaat en was 35 jaar lank ‘n weduwee. Sy het die laaste 8 jaar van haar lewe by haar dogter in Stilbaai gewoon, waar sy ook oorlede is.

Sy was sedert 1986 betrokke by kwiltwerk en het gedurende 1987 ‘n Maroon Stergebedskwilt vir haar seun gemaak, wat grensdiens gedoen het. Sy was ‘n kranige kwilter en het ook aan die Oranje Kwiltersgilde behoort. Sy het by Kwiltfeeste en ook plaaslik klasse vir lede aangebied. Sy het uitreikwerk gedoen en vir werklose vroue in Qwa Qwa en in Lesotho werksinkels aangebied.

Gedurende 2000 het sy die Pro Dedicate Toekenning, van die Suid-Afrikaanse Kwiltersgilde ontvang.

Tannie Louise was ‘n geliefde persoon in die kwiltersgemeenskap. Ons eer haar bydrae oor baie jare.

Aangeheg is foto’s van haar werk.



Maroon Star Gebeds-kwilt



Wedding ring

