

Heaven

I've found a whole new beginning just made for me.

I know only peace and I never feel pain;

Days are full of sunshine and never the rain;

I am no longer old, I've recovered my youth,
and all of my dreams have become my truth.

I can smile, I can laugh, I can walk, I can run,

I can hear every whisper, I can see past the sun.

My body is whole, and my mind is so clear;

I know all the answers and I've found a new place
where I can be free; free from all fear.

I know why you mourn me, I see how you weep;

Your heart is full of aching from a love that was deep;

And I am grateful for loved ones that hold me so dear;

But remember I have found a better place here in Heaven.

I will be there beside you, always near;

So, don't mourn me for long, nor forever cry;

And whenever your sorrow bears down on your heart,

Think not of my ending, but of my new start.

For on earth there is no joy that I ever saw;

To compare to the joy of God smiling at me.

-Author Unknown



Impressions Shirley made on people along the way:

MOM: You told us to never give up on what we really wanted or what we wanted to do and to leave everything a little better than we found it.

Thank you for those words of wisdom!

The greatest gift you can give someone is your time. She gave us all of her time when we were around her. She always gave plenty to other loved ones she cared about. She had plenty of love and attention to go around to everyone she knew. She never had bad words for anyone.

She always saw the good in people.

GRANDMA: Thank you, Grandma, for creating a lifetime of memories for us, of all the wonderful Christmases together making homemade ice-cream, dressing up and singing "Away In A Manger", playing in the snow, and for always being there for us as a family.

We love you!

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Shirley Marcella Hansen

WHO WAS BORN

October 8, 1923

Milbank, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

March 13, 2019

Milbank, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.

Central United Methodist Church

Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT

Rev. Dr. DeVern Schwenn

MUSICIAN

Sherry DeBoer, Organist

CASKET BEARERS

Blain Ovind Brian Ovind Eric Schultz

Rob Hansen Kevin Hansen Scott Anderson

HONORARY BEARERS

All of Shirley's Grandchildren,

Great-Grandchildren, and Great-Great-Grandchildren

INTERMENT

At A Later Date

Milbank City Cemetery

Milbank, South Dakota

APPRECIATION

Shirley's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.

Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the service, please join the family for lunch and fellowship in the church fellowship hall.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Mundwiler Funeral Home

Milbank, South Dakota

Shirley Marcella Boerger was born on October 8, 1923, in Milbank, SD. She was the daughter of Benjamin and Elsie (Trapp) Boerger. She and her four siblings lived and worked on the Boerger farm. She loved working with her dad in the fields and learning household chores with her mom. Shirley attended school through the eighth grade. At the age of 16, Shirley quit school so she could help with the day to day running of the farm.

Shirley was united in marriage with Herbert Hansen on June 15, 1944, on the Boerger family homestead. They made their home in Milbank, SD. They were blessed with six children: Gloria, Betty, Roger, Mike, Rick, and Barbie. Herbert worked as a union electrician, working on major projects throughout the United States. The family traveled together and lived in many states until returning to South Dakota in 1968. They missed traveling and went back on the road in 1980, traveling another nine years before returning to Milbank to retire.

Shirley was a hard-working homemaker, a business manager for Hansen Electric, and a devoted grandmother. She was a member of Central United Methodist Church. She also worked at several local retail stores. Shirley loved the challenges of life and always rose to the occasion. In her lifetime she had six children, 15 grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren. She lost her beloved Herbie in 1998, and her life became centered on her children and grandchildren. She taught them many lessons of unselfishness, love, kindness, and that every day can bring happiness and rewarding experiences.

Left to cherish her memory are her six children: Roger (Liz) Hansen of Sioux Falls, SD; Michael Hansen (special friend, Kathy Bethke) of Milbank, SD; Richard (Debra) Hansen of Seattle, WA; Gloria (Harold) Ramsey of High Point, NC; Betty (Ron) Ovind of Parker, CO; Barb (Dale) Schultz of Corona, SD; 15 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren; one brother, Arvid (Elvina) Boerger of Milbank, SD; two sisters-in-law: LaVerna Moldenhauer of Watertown, SD; and Lois Boerger of Watertown, SD; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Ben and Elsie; her husband, Herbert; one sister, Eileen Swedburg; two brothers: Daryl Boerger and Milo Boerger; one son-in-law, Marlin Heuer; and one granddaughter, Desiree Hansen.

Go with God today and live happily ever after. We love you.



Shirley (Boerger) Hansen

October 8, 1923 - March 13, 2019