Georgia Mary Jensen

Georgia M. Jensen's work was finished on September 25, 2011. She was born April 6, 1925, in Brush, CO, and moved shortly thereafter with her parents to Lead, SD. Georgia graduated from Lead High School in 1943, and from Cottey College in 1945. Like many women of her generation, she and her sister learned to weld and worked in the Kaiser Ship Yards in Portland, OR, the summers of 1943-4.

She married her husband of 65 years, Alvin, in June of 1945, and lived out her life at the farm and ranch near Whitewood, SD. Along with working side-by-side with her husband, she raised four children; Katherine (Audie Blevins), Cliff (Lonnie Jensen), Karl (Celia Jensen), and Mary Kay (David Miller). Her accomplishments beyond the children and the ranch were many. She was a 4-H leader for 40 years, a member of the St. Onge Extension Club and St. Onge Flower Club, a member of the Western Junior Livestock Show Board, a member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church where she became President of the Council and representative to the Nation Council in Ohio, and an active member and leader of the Eastern Star and P.E.O. She was selected as Eminent Homemaker of the Year in 1992 by South Dakota State University. She loved to travel, and managed to include much of the United States and Canada, Egypt, and the Philippines. Each place contributed to her sense of being a world citizen in the truest sense. She highly appreciated the role of music in one's life, and enjoyed a broad range of the arts.

However, her immediate neighbors will always remember her for her beautiful and evolving garden and yard where she freely shared the output along with helpful advice.

Georgia was preceded in death by her husband, Alvin; her daughter, Katherine; her sister, Carol Kvam; and her parents, Joe and Ruth Dunmire. Her legacy is carried on by her children and their spouses; fourteen grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be memorials to the Good Shepard (Free) Clinic, 1020 State Street, Spearfish, SD 57783.

The family invites everyone to a time of fellowship and refreshments in the church hall immediately following the funeral service.

We thank you for your presence and condolences.



In Loving Memory Of

Georgia Jensen

1925 ~ 2011



I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid you see.
I took His hand when I heard His call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found the peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void Then fill it with remembered joys - -A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much,

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief - -Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts, and peace to thee - -God wanted me now: He set me free.

In Loving Memory Of

Georgia Mary Jensen

Born

April 6, 1925 Brush, Colorado

Died

September 25, 2011 Whitewood, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Wednesday, September 28, 2011, at 2:00 p.m. Our Savior's Lutheran Church Spearfish, South Dakota

Officiating

Pastor Karen Matuska

Accompanist

Priscilla Romkema

Musical Selections

"Amazing Grace"
"In The Garden"
"Morning Has Broken"
"Turn! Turn! Turn!"
"Lord, I Hope This Day Is Good"

Pallbearers

Paul Baker \sim Tim Tetrault \sim Cris Miller Devin Stephens \sim Leonard Burtzlaff \sim Dale Hogen

Interment

Little Dane Church Cemetery St. Onge, South Dakota