

Sylvia Marie Remington

Sylvia was born December 7, 1925, at Gross, SD, to Benjamin and Victoria (Ashley) Aikins. She grew up in the rural area of Hyde County and attended small one room country schools. She attended high school in Springfield, SD, Fort Thompson, SD, and graduated from the Chamberlain High School in 1944. In the following fall she attended and graduated from Sacred Heart School of Nursing in Yankton, SD, in 1947.

She was employed at the following places; St. Mary's Hospital, North Platte, NE, Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton, SD, Fort Meade Veteran's Hospital, Fort Meade, SD, St. John's Memorial, Belle Fourche, SD, St. Joseph's Hospital, Deadwood, SD, and the Community Memorial Hospital, Sturgis, SD, for the last 31 years of her nursing career. At the time of her retirement she bore the distinction of being the longest full time registered nurse in the history of the hospital.

She married Frances W. Remington of Fairpoint, SD, at Miles City, MT, in 1949.

Sylvia Marie Remington, 87, Sturgis, died Tuesday, April 16, 2013, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include her daughters, Karla K. Aplin, Rapid City, and Carol A. Smits, Sturgis; one son, Duane A. Remington, Haskell, TX; 10 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister, one brother, and her husband.

A memorial has been established to a student nursing scholarship.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadeefunerals.com.

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch
in the church hall following the committal service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



The Nurse

*The world grows better, year by year,
Because some nurse in her little sphere,
Puts on her apron and grins and sings,
And keeps on doing the same old things.
Taking the temperatures, giving the pills
To remedy mankind's numberless ills;
Feeding the baby, answering the bells,
Being polite with a heart that rebels,
Longing for home and all the while
Wearing the same old professional smile:
Blessing the new born babe's first breath,
Closing the eyes that are still in death.
Taking the blame for the doctor's mistakes,
Oh Dear, what of lot of patience it takes.
Going off duty at seven o'clock
Tired, discouraged, and ready to drop
When we lay down our caps and cross the bar
Oh Lord, will you give us just one little star,
To wear in our crowns with our uniforms, new
In that city above, where the Head Nurse is you.*



A Letter From Heaven

*When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not here to see,
If the sun should rise and find your eyes, filled with tears for me.*

*I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today,
While thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say.*

*I know how much you love me, as much as I love you,
And each time you think of me, I know you'll miss me too.*

*But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand,
That an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand.*

*And said my place was ready, in heaven far above,
And that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love.*

*So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart,
For everytime you think of me, I'm right there in your heart.*

In Loving Memory Of

Sylvia Marie Remington

Born

December 7, 1925
Gross, South Dakota

Died

April 16, 2013
Rapid City, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Monday, April 22, 2013, at 1:00 p.m.
St. Thomas Episcopal Church
Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiating

Rev. Kay Jennings
Pastor Herb Cleveland

Organist

Judy Hughes

Musical Selections

"Amazing Grace"
"Lamb Of God"

Pallbearers

Eric Quillen ~ Bo Walgamuth ~ Patrick Aplin
James Mickelson ~ Philip Zephier ~ Shannon O'Grady

Interment

Bear Butte Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota