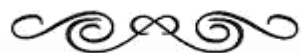


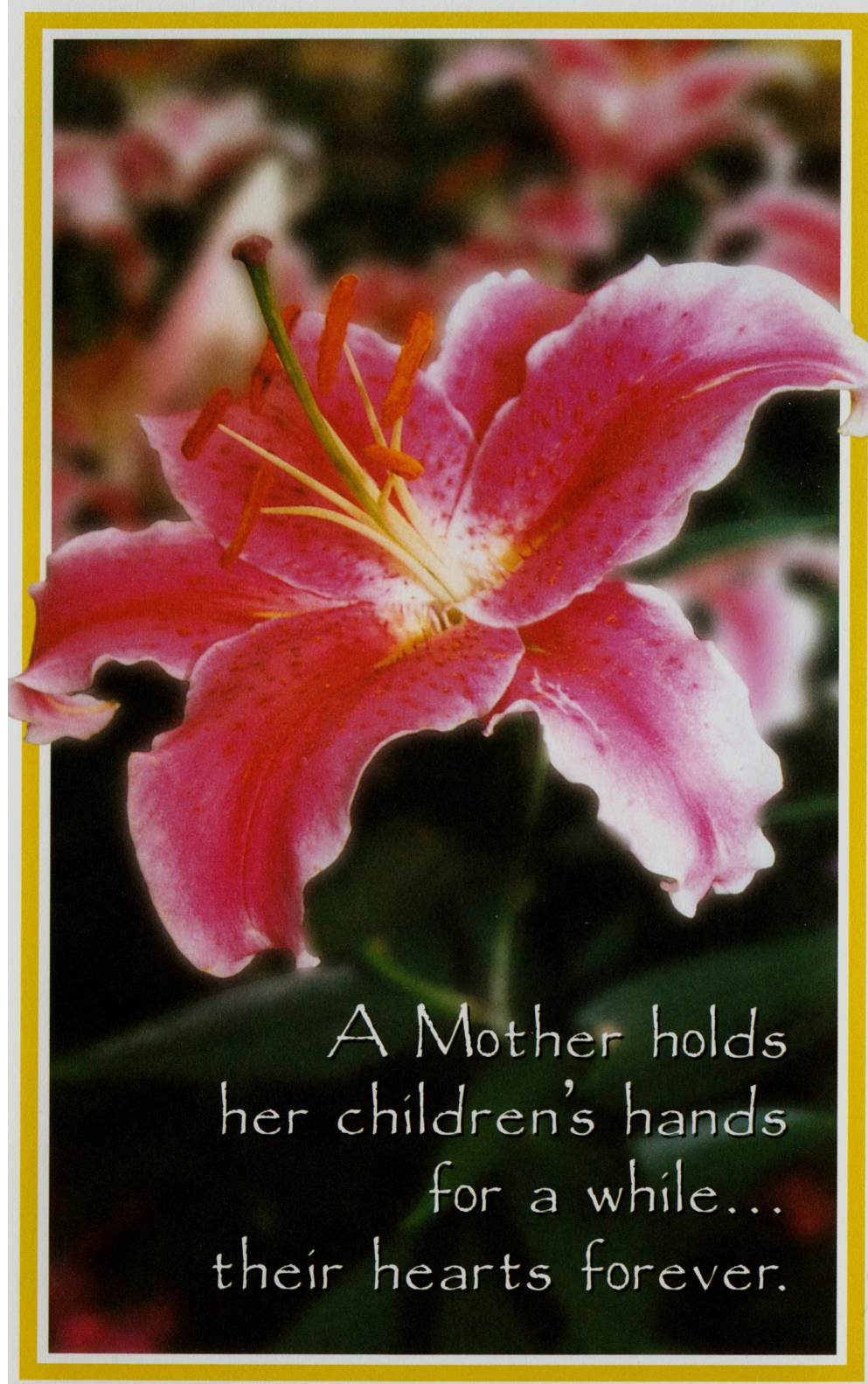


We had a wonderful grandmother
Who never really grew old.
These hands did so much work and living
Oh, the stories she told!
Her smile was made of sunshine
And her heart was solid gold.
What a treasure she's been to all of us
As her life has come "full fold".



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A Mother holds
her children's hands
for a while...
their hearts forever.

Lois Stern, Bristol, formerly of the Clark and Bradley communities, age 94, died peacefully with family by her side on Monday, November 22, 2021 in Bristol at Sun Dial Manor.

Lois Beverly Stern was born December 2, 1926, in Bristol, SD to parents William and Emma (Engberg) Harms. She grew up in rural Butler and attended Butler school graduating from Butler High School in 1945. While attending high school, she resided in town and worked part time at the café in Bristol.

She married Virgil "Speed" Stern on June 24, 1945, at the Bethesda Lutheran Church in Bristol. To this union, nine children were born starting in 1946 with Alvin, Rosella, Raymond, Lyle, Ron, Delmer, Allen, Dale and Steve.

She and Speed lived in Oak Gulch Township and continued to farm until they purchased land southwest of Bradley. They farmed grain, had dairy cows, pigs and chickens and built a house where they continued to raise their family. In 1967, they sold the farm and moved to Bradley. The family later moved near Garden City in 1967 where they farmed once again, grain and pigs. In 1979, they moved to Clark for a short time before purchasing their home a mile and a half west of Clark. Lois kept busy at home raising their nine children and managing the household. She cooked everything from scratch. For the amount that she cooked and baked, she had a small amount of recipes. Most of them were in her head! She would cook and cook for the pheasant hunters that came to stay. Lois worked at Fairfield Foods of Clark, Dakota Poultry of Watertown, harvesting potatoes for Larry Lien and ICAP.

In 2009, Speed and Lois entered Fay Wookey Memorial Assisted Living Center for a few years before calling Sun Dial Manor in Bristol home. She was an active and faithful member of the Crocker Lutheran Church, which they loved to attend on Sunday mornings. She loved canning and embroidered thousands of dish towels throughout the years for church and community activities and her many family members. In recent months, she embroidered a personalized pillowcase for each of her 35 great grandchildren. She could play piano by ear, enjoyed playing the penny slots and keeping up and sharing the local news. Lois was an avid Minnesota Twins fan and a huge follower of all the games. Even in her 90s, she kept up with family and friends on Facebook. Lois was sharper than a tack with a great sense of humor and sometimes brutally honest with her comments to family and friends. She loved to keep up with her kids, grandkids, and great grandkids lives through visiting, phone calls or on "The Book." Her family was most important to her and she found great joy in planning family gatherings which of course involved plenty of food. She was a treasure to so many...family, church, and community members.

Grateful for sharing in her life are her sons: Alvin (Sue) Stern of Litchfield, MN, Raymond (Peggy) Stern of Baxter, MN, Ronald (Linda) Stern of Henry, SD, Allen (Lisa) Stern of Clark, SD, Dale (Laurie) Stern of Arlington, MN, and Steve (Vicki) Stern of Browns Valley, CA; daughter-in-law Lynda Stern of Garden City, SD; 26 grandchildren; 35 great grandchildren; brother Donald (Rose) Harms of Redfield, SD; and one son-in-law, Norman Sinclair of Middleton, ID.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Virgil, siblings Lorane (Florence) Harms, Opal Hild and Delores (Harold) Stokes, children Rosella, Lyle, and Delmer, one granddaughter Karen, and three great-granddaughters Gretchen, Grace and Sidney.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be directed to the Crocker Lutheran Church; care of Jean Obermeier, 1657 422nd Ave, Clark, SD 57225.



Celebrating the Life of Lois Stern



Services from

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Clark, South Dakota

Saturday, December 4, 2021 at 2 PM

Officiant

Minister Marion Grimes

Music

Wendy Christman—Organist

Adam Stern—Vocalist

"On Eagle's Wings"

"Don't Cry For Me"

"Here I Am Lord"

"In the Garden"

"Amazing Grace"

"Because He Lives"

"How Great Thou Art"

"You Are Mine"

"Has Anybody Seen My Girl"

Casket Bearers

Alvin Stern Raymond Stern Ron Stern

Allen Stern Dale Stern Steve Stern

Honorary Casket Bearers

Lois' Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

The Staff of Sun Dial Manor for their care & friendship

Interment

Bristol Cemetery, Bristol, South Dakota



*The family of Lois Stern thanks you for your presence here today,
for your thoughts, prayers, and other acts of kindness shown to them.*

*Following the service, please join the family for refreshments and
a time of fellowship and remembrance in the church basement.*