

Wanda Mae Raye

Wanda was born February 13, 1946, in Rapid City, SD, to Kenneth and Delores (McDonald) Douglas. She completed her education in Rapid City. She met William Raye and they were married December 23, 1962, in Rapid City. They lived in Lockborn, OH, Okinawa, Ellsworth, Germany, France,

and the Netherlands, returning to Rapid City where they raised their family.

Wanda was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. She was a loving and caring wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend. She was known to love pigs, frogs, turtles, chickens, and a deep admiration of Betty Boop.

She is survived by her husband, Bill Raye, Rapid City; four sons, Sam Raye, Anchorage, AK, Jason Raye, Rapid City, John Raye, Fairfax, VA, and Michael (Krista) Raye, Rapid City; one daughter, Rebecca Raye (Drew Beach), Rapid City; one sister, JoAnn (Tom) Bennington, Rapid City; eleven grandchildren, Suzanne, Amanda, Joshua, David, Jessica, Kiara Lynn, Makai Lynn, Dai-Ana, Jaxon, Kylie Anne, and Sawyer; one great-grandchild, Ivan; and numerous nieces and nephews, which are truly loved by our wonderful mother.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Kenneth and Delores, and two sisters, Bonnie Horton and Dixie George.

Our mother was a person who accepted everyone for who they were and not judging them. She was and will remain in our hearts, loved and deeply missed. She was a ray of sunshine on a cloudy day and always available for a warm hug. She was not only our mother but our friend and we will take this last lesson

she taught us, that all family and friends must be kept close to the heart. Our mother passed away while trying to get her heart fixed and we believe she gave so much of her heart to everyone else that she forgot to save some for herself.



In Loving Memory Of



Wanda Raye

1946 ~ 2011



The Twenty-Third Psalm

*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of
the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me; Thy rod and
thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence
of mine enemies: thou anointest my head
with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life: and I will
dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

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Born

February 13, 1946
Rapid City, South Dakota

Died

April 30, 2011
Rapid City, South Dakota

Christian Wake Service

Thursday, May 5, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Father Jim Hoerter

Mass of Christian Burial

Friday, May 6, 2011, at 11:00 a.m.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Celebrant

Father Tyler Dennis

Accompanist

Michelle Skoog

Soloist

Mike Weber

Musical Selections

"Abba Father" "Amazing Grace"
"Crown Him With Many Crowns"
"Day Is Done" "Gift Of Finest Wheat"
"How Great Thou Art"
"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

Pallbearers

Jason Raye ~ Sam Raye ~ John Raye
Michael Raye ~ David Simon ~ Drew Beach

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery