# I'm Free

On't grieve for me, for now I'm free.

I'm following the path God laid for me.

I took His hand when I heard Him 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 that peace at close of day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss; Ah 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've 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 heart and share with me;
God wanted me now, He set me free.



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## A Life Remembered...



# Dorothy Springer

August 17, 1938-December 26, 2022

Dorothy Springer, age 84, died at home Monday, December 26, 2022 with family at her side.

Dorothy Mae Harrington was born August 17, 1938, at the Bradley Hospital in Bradley, SD. She was the oldest of five children born to George and Blanche (DeLong) Harrington. She was born a twin but her infant brother, Danny Dale, died at birth. Dorothy grew up in the Bradley area and attended school there graduating from Bradley High School in 1957. Living her entire life in the Bradley area, she was an important part of the community and will be greatly missed.

In high school, her best friend introduced her to LaVerne T. Springer. On June 2, 1957, the two were married at the Bradley Baptist Church. She began working at the Bradley Post Office in May 1960 and worked for the postal system until her retirement in October of 1992. Dorothy kept busy in the community as a member of the organizational committee for the Bradley Centennial held in 1985, helped organize the Bradley Alumni Association and was very instrumental in obtaining grants and planning the Bradley Community Center. She was the manager of the calendar of activities at the Bradley Community Center until her death.

Following her retirement, Dorothy kept busy serving as the bookkeeper for Springer Construction and as the clerk for Blaine Township. She was an active member of the Bradley Legion Auxiliary since 1957 serving in many offices and presiding as president for many years. She also was a faithful member of the St. John's Lutheran Church and the WELCA. She was never one to sit still and always ready to lend a helping hand.

In their earlier years, LaVerne and Dorothy enjoyed camping making lifelong friends, especially ones from DeSmet. Dorothy enjoyed cooking and baking, becoming famous in the Bradley area for her delicious, beautiful cakes she made for special events in the community. She enjoyed gardening, both vegetables and flowers, canning, sewing and cross stitch. Dorothy loved cats and had one that rarely left her side in the last few days of her life.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, LaVerne; and siblings, Danny Dale Harrington, Donald Ray Harrington, Marilyn Swanson and Richard Harrington.

Blessed for having been a part of her life are her sons, Danny Lee Springer, Dale Eugene (Gina Kannas) Springer, and Roger Alan (Lorie) Springer, all of Bradley; granddaughters, ShyAnn and Sierra Springer; sisters-in-law, Becky Harrington, Bradley and Leona Lien, Marshall, MI; brother-in-law, Doug Swanson, Clark; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

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



# Celebrating the Life of Dorothy Springer

## Services from

Furness Funeral Home Chapel Clark, South Dakota Wednesday, January 4, 2023 10:30 AM

## Officiant

Minister Marion Grimes

#### Recorded Music

"I Want to Stroll Over Heaven With You" - Alan Jackson "Lead Me Home" - Jamey Johnson

## Honorary Bearers

Chris Tarbox Joyce Hallauer
Bradley Legion Auxiliary
Bradley Community Center Committee

### Casketbearers

Brian Harrington
Aaron Bjerke

Doug Yexley

Scott Harrington
Vernon Tarbox
Randy Raymer

#### Interment at a Later Date

Prairie Hill Cemetery Bradley, South Dakota



Following the burial, please join the family for lunch & a time of fellowship in the Bradley Community Center.