

Pearl L. Trohkimoinen

Pearl was born September 13, 1924, to Robert and Pauline (Olson) Smith on their ranch near Nisland. She attended school at Nisland, Riverside, and graduated from 8th grade at the Crook City School. She then attended the school at Whitewood and graduated from Spearfish High School in 1942. Following her graduation, Pearl worked at Northwestern Bell in Sturgis for several years.

Pearl married Elmer Trohkimoinen on November 20, 1949, in Sturgis. They lived in Sturgis where they raised their family.

Pearl worked at the Fort Meade VA Medical Center as a telephone operator until her retirement in 1989. She also was actively involved in ranching until well into her 80's. Pearl also cared for her disabled brother for many years.

Pearl was a member of Grace Lutheran Church and the Mary Circle. She enjoyed sewing, crocheting, quilting, and cooking. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She loved her family dearly and devoted her life to them.

Pearl L. Trohkimoinen, 89, formerly of Sturgis, died Monday, September 23, 2013, at Tender Care Assisted Living in Spearfish.

Survivors include one son, Gary (Jan) Trohkimoinen, Buffalo Lake, MN; two daughters, Kathy (Chuck) Natalie, Edmond, OK, and Marie (Bob) Kaufman, Whitewood, SD; six grandsons, Jeff (Kristin) Trohkimoinen, Scott (Jen) Trohkimoinen, Charles (Autumn Dillon) Natalie, Paul (Jessica Martinez) Natalie, William (Holly) Kaufman, and Alex Kaufman; five great-grandchildren, Avery, Isaac, Abby, Jack, and Blake; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her sister, Alta Reuppel; and two brothers, Marvin Smith and Harley Smith.

A memorial has been established to Grace Lutheran Church.

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



In Loving Memory Of
Pearl L. Trohkimoinen

1924 ~ 2013

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and refreshments in the
Son Shine Room in the church basement following the committal service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



A Mother's Farewell To Her Children

*When I must leave you, for a little while,
Please do not grieve, and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same,
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,
Reach out your hand in comfort and cheer
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near;
And never, never be afraid to die,
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*

In Loving Memory Of

Pearl Louise Trohkimoinen

Born

September 13, 1924
Nisland, South Dakota

Died

September 23, 2013
Spearfish, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Monday, September 30, 2013, at 2:00 p.m.
Grace Lutheran Church

Officiating

Pastor Henrique Fleming

Special Music

Marlene Kotab
Danny Chapman

Musical Selections

"In The Garden"
"How Great Thou Art"

Pallbearers

Jeff Trohkimoinen ~ Scott Trohkimoinen ~ Charles Natalie
Paul Natalie ~ William Kaufman ~ Alex Kaufman

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota