Cordavee Marie Heupel

Cordavee was born August 11, 1939, in Bowman, ND, daughter of John and Roszzella Blees. She married Ray Heupel on December 28, 1959, at St. Charles Catholic Church, Bowman. They lived in Mobridge, SD, and Pipestone, MN. In 1968, they moved to a farm near Bowman, ND, where raised their five children. In March of 1989, Ray and Cordavee moved to Sturgis, S.D.

Cordavee was formally trained and worked in her early years as an x-ray technician. She also managed the financial aspects of Ray's Auction Service, conducting estate and community auctions in the Bowman area. She is probably most well known for her work as a bank teller at Gate City Federal in Bowman and Norwest and Wells Fargo in Sturgis, and thoroughly enjoyed meeting and working with the people she met while at the bank.

Scrapbooking and genealogy were always a big part of her life. She compiled scrapbooks for each of her kids of their school and 4-H activities, as well as tracking family histories and ancestry. She also kept scrapbooks of the Bowman and Sturgis communities.

She was involved with many organizations including 4-H clubs as a member and leader, several school, church and fair boards, as well as being a founding member of the Bowman County Genealogy & Historical Society.

Cordavee M. Heupel, 73, Sturgis, SD, died Saturday, September 22, 2012, at her home.

Cordavee is preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Raymond. She survived by her children, Colin Heupel and his wife, Debbie, of Arvada, CO, RaeDeen Heupel of Kalispell, MT, Renee Hansen of Cheyenne, WY, Casey Heupel and his wife, Sharon, of West Glacier, MT, and Chad Heupel and his wife, Helen, of Frederick, MD; nine grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

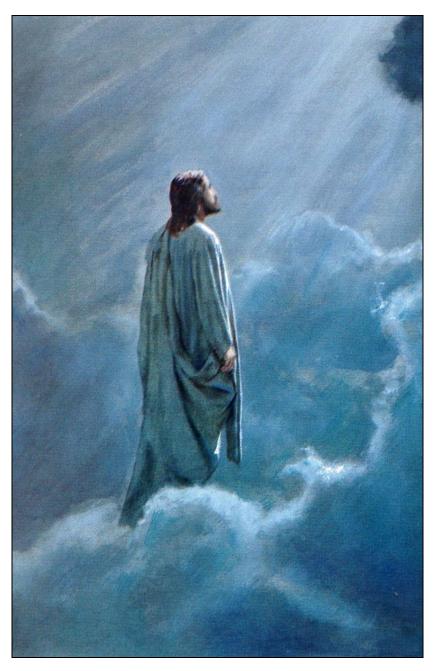
In her family planning documents, Cordavee listed her only significant accomplishment as "Helping others get awards!"

A memorial has been established to St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church.

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

The family invites everyone to a time of fellowship and lunch in the church hall following the interment service.

We thank you for your presence and condolences.



In Loving Memory Of
Cordavee Heupel

1939 ~ 2012



Safely Home

I am home in Heaven, dear ones; Oh, so happy and so bright!

There is perfect joy and beauty in this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over, every restless tossing passed; I am now at peace forever, safely home in Heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly trod the valley of the shade? Oh! But Jesus' love illumined every dark and fearful glade.

And He came himself to meet me in that way so hard to tread, And with Jesus' arm to lean on, could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely; For I love you dearly still; Try to look beyond earth's shadows, pray to trust our Father's Will.

There is work still waiting for you, so you must not idly stand; Do it now, while life remaineth - You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed, He will gently call you home; Oh, the rapture of that meeting, Oh, the joy to see you come!

In Loving Memory Of

Cordavee Marie Heupel

Born

August 11, 1939 Bowman, North Dakota

Died

September 22, 2012 Sturgis, South Dakota

Vigil

Wednesday, September 26, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. Kinkade Funeral Chapel

Mass of Christian Burial

Thursday, September 27, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

Celebrant

Father Arnold Kari

Organist

Dr. Barry Furze

Singers

Conway Heupel ~ Phylliss Grubl ~ RaeDeen Heupel

Musical Selections

"Be Not Afraid" "The Servant Song" "Amazing Grace" "I Dance In The Morning"

Pallbearers

Seth Hanson ~ Zane Heupel ~ Chris Grubl Dan Grubl ~ Roger Heupel ~ Russell Heupel

Interment

St. Aloysius Cemetery