



Dorothy B. Short

Dorothy B. "Sweetie" (Escott) Short was born December 13, 1923, in Faith, SD, to Christena "Tena" (Schradle) Escott and William "Bert" Escott. She was the oldest of 3 children. Dorothy and her family eventually moved to Sturgis where she would graduate high school in 1941. Following her graduation, she moved to Chance, SD, where she worked as a postal clerk and taught school. She later got certified through two summer school sessions to become a qualified teacher which allowed her to teach 1st-9th grade for a number of years.

In 1946, Dorothy married Robert Barr Short in a double wedding with his sister, Hazel and Charles Vansickel, in Broadus, MT. Robert was in the Army and transferred to the Air Force which stationed them at Ellsworth. Later, Robert was transferred to Denver while Dorothy stayed in Belle Fourche to teach. Robert and Dorothy moved to Sturgis in 1950 where they lived for over 60 years. Robert started Short Construction and Dorothy tended to her 6 children, Danny (1948), Duane (1950), Robin (1953), William "Bill" (1954), Robert "Bob" (1958), and Roger (1968).

In addition to her very busy family life, Dorothy was very active in a variety of groups throughout the community that included her membership with Grace Lutheran Church, Hospice, Meals on Wheels, TOPS, Red Hat Society, American Cancer Society, Buttons and Bows, and VFW Auxiliary. Her passion for being a part of the community and spending time with dear friends was no doubt the secret to living such a long and fulfilling life.

Dorothy's energy was noticeable to every person she spent time with, whether it was for 5 minutes or for 50 years. She opened up her heart and her home on frequent occasions, whether it was offering support in a grave time in someone's life, hosting nightly coffee, or offering a bed for a biker during the rally. She was truly one of a kind. While her death was unexpected to us all, we all can find peace knowing that she passed quickly and free of pain with her beloved friend, Charlene, by her side.

Surviving family includes sons, Danny (Bakey), Duane, Bill (Janine), Bobby (Judy), and Roger; daughter, Robin (Pat); as well as 13 grandchildren, Ben, Estee, Gram, Brad, Tessa, Brynn, Ryan, Carlyn, Taber, Errin, Seth, Griffin, and Sydney; 11 great-grandchildren; along with numerous extended family members.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents; husband; sister, Peggy McGinnis; brother, Mike Escott; and grandson, Adrian Short.

Memorials have been established to Grace Lutheran Church and Hospice of the Northern Hills.

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



*In Loving
Memory Of*



Dorothy B. Short

1923 ~ 2017

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



To my beloved Family and friends,
death is nothing at all;
I've only slipped into the next room.
I am I and you are you,

Whatever we were to each other, that we are still.

Call me by my old familiar name,
speak to me in the easy way which you always used,
put no difference into your tone
or false air of solemnity or sorrow;
laugh as we always laughed
at all of the little jokes we enjoyed together.

Play, smile, think of me, pray for me.
Let my name be ever the household word that it always was.
Let it be spoken without effect,
without a ghost of a shadow in it.

Life means all that it ever was—it is the same as ever—
there is absolutely unbroken continuity.
Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight?

I am but waiting for you—for an interval,
somewhere very near. Just around the corner.

All is well—

Amen

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Dorothy Barbara Short

Born

December 13, 1923
Faith, South Dakota

Died

March 4, 2017
Sturgis, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Thursday, March 9, 2017, at 2:00 p.m.
Grace Lutheran Church
Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Kris Garlick

Accompanist

Marlene Kotab

Singers

Danny Chapman
Susie Payne

Musical Selections

"Borning Cry"
"On Eagle's Wings"
"How Great Thou Art"

Pallbearers

Rollie Schlenker ~ Tom Hermann ~ Lee Baldwin
Mark Mechling ~ Lee Means ~ Noel Anderson
Jerry VanSickel ~ John Eixenberger ~ Roy Kramlich

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota