

I Am Standing Upon The Seashore

I am standing upon the seashore.
A ship at my side spreads her white
sails to the morning breeze and
starts for the blue ocean.

She is an object of beauty and strength.
I stand and watch her until at length
she hangs like a speck of white cloud
just where the sea and sky come
to mingle with each other.

Then, someone at my side says;
"There, she is gone!"
"Gone where?"

Gone from my sight. That is all.
She is just as large in mast and hull
and spar as she was when she left my side
and she is just as able to bear her
load of living freight to her destined port.
Her diminished size is in me, not in her.

And just at the moment when someone
at my side says, "There, she is gone!"
There are other eyes watching her coming,
and other voices ready to take up the glad shout;
"Here she comes!"



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*A Mother holds
her children's hands for a while...
their hearts forever.*

Mona A. Schlagel, age 95, widow of Wilbur "Bill" Schlagel, Clark, died peacefully in the Avantara Care Center at Clark on early Monday morning, May 4, 2020. She resided in the care center since March of 2019.

Mona A. Albright was born on October 20, 1924 near the Conde/Crandall area, the daughter of Henry and Alma (Hass) Albright. She attended country school and then Clark School, graduating from high school in Clark in 1941. Mona attended Northern Normal at Aberdeen obtaining her teacher's certificate. She began teaching at Ree Heights, then Logan, Raymond, and finished teaching at Doland.

On March 30, 1947 she was united in marriage to Wilbur F. "Bill" Schlagel. Mona ended her teaching career in the late 1960's and became a stay at home Mom. She loved being on the farm, tending to flowers, knitting, cooking a meal for 7 - with no warning, and balance a checkbook to the penny! Mona loved the farm animals and the animals that would wonder on to the place, taking in most everyone and then re-gifting them to others for their enjoyment. Being married to "Wild Bill" probably wasn't all joy, but she seemed to handle him just fine!

She was a member of the Presbyterian Church at Raymond, the Order of Eastern Star, Jolly Neighbor Club, and the Friendly Circle.

Preceding her in death were her parents, husband Bill in 2005, a brother, Leland "Bud" (Rosie) Albright and other family members.

Survivors include daughters, Penny Schlagel of Beresford and Sally (George) Wosika of Bena, MN, grandchildren, Nathan Garrett, Jody (John) Holand, Terri (Steve) Meyer, and Heidi (Rick Weller) Pitzner and several great-grandchildren, Jennifer (Peter) Rademacher, Richard, Jacob, Billy, Alex, Mack, and Emily, and a great-great grandson, Linus.



Celebrating the Life of Mona Schlagel



Services from
Furness Funeral Home
Clark, South Dakota
Sunday, May 10, 2020
2:00 PM

Officiant
Minister Michelle Mehlberg, CRE

Music

Pianist — Lynette Munce-Flint
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand,"
— Greg Furness, soloist
"Because He Lives"
"His Eye is on the Sparrow"

Casketbearers

Members of the Family



Interment

Rose Hill Cemetery
Clark, South Dakota

The family of Mona Schlagel thanks you for your presence, for your thoughts, prayers, and other acts of kindness shown to them.