

The last of the Hobbits has returned to her final resting place in the Shire where she has been reunited with those whom she has dearly missed. We who are left behind feel the loss of her presence, but rejoice that she is no longer in pain. Dorothy passed from this earthly world on August 10, 2019, at the age of 89.

Dorothy Virginia Roseland was born February 7, 1930, in Sully County, SD, to Dayton and Florence (McGee) Merrill. She was raised on the family farm with her two sisters, Dora and Daisy, and her seven brothers, Ray, Bud, Chuck, Ben, Don, Eddie, and Allen. She met the love of her life, Robert "Bob" Roseland, as a teenager at a dance. From that first dance came a lifetime of romance. Bob and Dorothy married on October 18, 1947. Four children were born to this union, Robert, Terry, Doyle, and Darcy. As a family, they enjoyed many a Sunday drive in the hills and picnics along the way. Bob and Dorothy had been married for 57 years when Bob passed away in 2004.

Dorothy held a myriad of job titles throughout her lifetime, ranging from trailer court manager, to salesclerk, to greenhouse worker, to welcome center hostess, to rural mail carrier, just to name a few. Her most important job title, however, was that of mother/grandmother. She loved family gatherings and was at her happiest at those times. Nothing made her smile more than visits from family, especially visits from her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

In her later years, Dorothy enjoyed traveling with her sister, Daisy. They visited friends in Arizona and family in Colorado. They even adventured to the International Peace Gardens. Most of their travels were in-state, going home to Gettysburg. Although Dorothy always said they were going to visit family, those who knew her were quite aware that it was truly the Gettysburg Bakery that held her heart. A check to the freezer upon her return would reward one with a large number of doughnuts and rolls.

Dorothy was also known for her volunteering spirit. She worked untold hours in the Piedmont Valley Food Bank and the SHARE program. She was a longtime member of the Happy 10 Sewing Club and a lifetime member of the VFW Auxiliary.

Left to both mourn and celebrate her passing are her daughter, Darcy Winger (Tom); her daughters-in-law, Shirley Roseland (Dave Hitchcock), and Linda Roseland; her grandchildren, Jeremy Roseland, Bobbie Shatto (Jeremy), Jolene Roseland (Chad Boylan), Nikolas Robinson (Jasmine Geyer), Neil Robinson (Christy Tidwell), Sarah Winger, Jenny Piersall (Matt), and Sara Calvetti (Shawn); 16 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by three sisters-in-law, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband; her three sons; her nine siblings; her parents; and numerous other family members.

A memorial has been established.

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

The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch in the church hall immediately following the committal service. We thank you for your presence and condolences.



In Loving Memory

Dorothy Virginia Roseland

February 7, 1930 ~ August 10, 2019



After The Clouds

*After the clouds, the sunshine,
After the winter, the spring,
After the shower, the rainbow,
For life is a changeable thing;*

*After the night, the morning,
Bidding all darkness cease,
After life's cares and troubles,
The comfort and sweetness of peace.*



In Memory Of Dorothy Virginia Roseland

Date of Birth

February 7, 1930
Sully County, South Dakota

Date of Death

August 10, 2019
Rapid City, South Dakota

Vigil

Wednesday, August 14, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of the Black Hills
Piedmont, South Dakota

Mass of Christian Burial

Thursday, August 15, 2019, at 10:30 a.m.
Our Lady of the Black Hills

Officiating

Father Andrzej Wyrostek

Musicians

Brad Blauvelt Lorraine Ptacek

Songs

"Morning Has Broken" "Amazing Grace"
"Prayer of St. Francis" "I am the Bread of Life" "Canticle of the Sun"

Pallbearers

Tom Winger Nik Robinson Neil Robinson
Dave Hitchcock Jolene Roseland Darcy Winger

Final Resting Place

Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota