

Miriam Louise Hallock

Miriam was born in St. Paul, MN, on January 15, 1935, to Newton and Louise (Howe) Olson, but she was a South Dakota girl through and through. She graduated from Rapid City Central in 1952, and after a brief stint trying out the "big city" life in Minneapolis, she returned to Philip, SD, in the summer of 1954 where she met and married Morris Gene Hallock.

The love affair that was Morris and Miriam's marriage spanned almost 60 years and in the end

embodied all that Miriam was - a tireless, supportive, and loving wife who journeyed through a life of service, and publishing with her husband always maintaining a strong personal identity of her own.

Miriam found incredible joy in music and bridge. She believed unequivocally in her God and encouraged all those around her to find solace and peace through attendance, worship, and involvement at church. Miriam also found ways to help her community whether it was to deliver a meal to a soul that found themselves shut-in, raise money for disabled children, or visit a friend that needed comfort and love; she was a relentless and ever present force in the lives of those around her.

Miriam was also the mother of three girls that she loved to the very depths of her being. Unconditional is the only way to describe the relationships she had with her children and by extension, those loved by her children. She opened her heart and home to all that touched her family's life with graciousness, food, and a place to lay their heads, knowing they were safe because Miriam was there steady, strong, and sure.

In 1983, Miriam became Nana with the birth of her first grandchild, and though it is hard to believe that a person so giving could become even more so, Miriam did. To the very last day of Miriam's life, she was working to make the lives of those around her easier.

Miriam Louise Hallock, 78, Sturgis, died unexpectedly Thursday, January 31, 2013, at Sturgis Regional Hospital. This tragic loss is immeasurable for her family, her friends, and her community.

She is survived by her husband, Morris G. Hallock, Sturgis; daughters, Debra (Walter) Shine, San Rafael, CA, Lori (Chuck) Kaiser, Fallon, NV, Karen Hallock, Rapid City, SD, and Chris Brady, Modesto, CA; and her grandchildren, Devin Bearden, San Rafael, CA, Tessa (Luke) Mickelson, Rapid City, SD, Charles Chase Kaiser, Fallon, NV, and Mathew Hallock Kaiser, Incline Village, NV.

Miriam is preceded in death by her parents, and her brother, Bob Olson.

A memorial has been established to the First Presbyterian Church.

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

In Loving Memory Of



Míríam Louíse Hallock

1935 ~ 2013



A SONG OF LIVING:

Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die.

I have sent up my gladness on wings, to be lost in the blue of the sky.

I have run and leaped with the rain, I have taken the

to my breast.

My cheek like a drowsy child to the face of the earth I have pressed.

Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die.

I have kissed young Love on the lips,
I have heard his song to the end.
I have struck my hand like a seal
in the loyal hand of a friend.
I have known the peace of heaven,
the comfort of work done well.
I have longed for death in the darkness
and risen alive out of hell.
Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die.

I give a share of my soul to the world where my course is run.

I know that another shall finish the task I must leave undone.

I know that no flower, nor flint was in vain on the path I trod.

As one looks on a face through a window, through life I have looked on God.

Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die.



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Born

January 15, 1935 St. Paul, Minnesota

Died

January 31, 2013 Sturgis, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Tuesday, February 5, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. First Presbyterian Church

Officiating

Rev. Denzel Nonhof

*Soloist*Danny Chapman

Musical Selections

"Amazing Grace"
"The Old Rugged Cross"
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Pallbearers

Chris Brady ~ Terry Shellhorn ~ Randy Hallock Devin Bearden ~ Chuck Kaiser ~ Mathew Kaiser Chase Kaiser ~ Luke Mickelson

Inurnment

Wednesday, February 6, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. Black Hills National Cemetery

The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch in the Erskine Room in the church basement immediately following the funeral service.

We thank you for your presence and condolences.