

## Arlet Bernita Liedtke

Arlet Bernita Liedtke was born on Christmas Day (December 25), 1922, in Emery, SD, to John and Martha Lehr. The Lehr family lived on a farm outside of Emery for many years until Arlet's father opened and operated the Lehr Family Grocery Store in downtown Emery, where Arlet spent many hours as a girl. She graduated from Emery High School in 1940 and married Reuben Liedtke on January 19, 1941. They lived on the Liedtke family farm near Wessington Springs, SD, for several years and eventually moved to Sioux Falls where they lived most of their lives, attending Central Baptist Church and raising 3 sons, Chuck, Kim, and Curt.

Arlet's many interests during her 92 years of life included her occupation as a Lab Technician, gardening, oil painting, and teaching Sunday School. She and Reuben retired in 1976 and moved to Arkansas where they lived for several years before returning to Sturgis in 1978. They lived in Sturgis and Rapid City until Reuben's death in 2004. Throughout her life, her primary joys were her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and serving her Lord in many capacities.

After Reuben's death, Arlet lived with her sons and families, Edgewood Vista (Spearfish), and Sturgis Regional Senior Care where she died on Tuesday, March 31, 2015, at the age of 92.

Survivors include her 3 sons, Chuck (Nikki) Liedtke, Branson, MO, Kim (Gwen) Liedtke, Humboldt, SD, and Curt (Jan) Liedtke, Sturgis, SD; one brother, Roger (Bessie) Lehr, Emery, SD; her 10 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Her parents and husband preceded her in death.

A memorial has been established to Foothills Community Church, Sturgis, SD.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com).

## *In Loving Memory Of Arlet Bernita Liedtke*

1922 ~ 2015



*Behold, I tell you a mystery;  
we shall not all sleep,  
But we shall all be changed.  
In a moment, in the  
Twinkling of an eye,  
At the last trumpet;  
for the trumpet will sound  
And the dead will be  
raised imperishable,  
And we shall be changed.  
For this perishable must  
put on the imperishable,  
and this mortal  
must put on immortality.  
1 Corinthians 15:51-53*





*I once scorned ev'ry fearful  
thought of death,  
When it was but the end of  
pulse and breath  
But now my eyes have seen that  
past the pain  
There is a world that's waiting  
to be claimed.  
Earthmaker, Holy, let me  
now depart,  
For living's luch a temporary art.  
And dying is but getting dressed for God,  
Our graves are merely doorways  
cut in sod.  
Calvin Miller*



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### ***Born***

December 25, 1922  
Emery, South Dakota

### ***Died***

March 31, 2015  
Sturgis, South Dakota

### ***Funeral Service***

Monday, April 6, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.  
Foothills Community Church

### ***Officiant***

Pastor Brian Carpenter

### ***Scripture***

Psalm 73:23-26      Psalm 27:4  
Psalm 23

### ***Special Music***

Rhonda Beug ~ Butch Samuelson

### ***Congregational Hymns***

"The Old Rugged Cross"      "What A Day That Will Be"  
"The Old Country Church"

### ***Honorary Pallbearers***

Jon Liedtke ~ Matt Liedtke ~ Rachel Liedtke-Kurtenbach  
Mike Liedtke ~ Tara Carlson ~ Tai Dornfeld ~ Toni Wilson  
Chris Liedtke ~ Chad Liedtke ~ Dan Liedtke

### ***Interment***

Emery Community Cemetery  
Emery, South Dakota

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