God's Garden

God looked around his garden,
And found an empty place,
He then looked down upon the earth,
And saw your tired face.

He put His arms around you,
And lifted you to rest,
God's garden must be beautiful,
He always takes the best.

He saw that the road was getting rough, And the hills were hard to climb, So He closed your weary eyelids, And whispered "Peace be thine."

> It broke our hearts to lose you, But you didn't go alone, For part of us went with you, The day God called you home.

In Loving Memory Of

Martha Lena Lambert

December 13, 1932 Huron, South Dakota May 3, 2025 Faulkton, South Dakota

CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE:

10:30 a.m., Saturday, May 10, 2025 Kuhler Funeral Home Huron, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Pastor Derek Baum

EULOGIST: Stacy Machtemes

CASKET BEARERS:

Logan Machtemes, Taylor Machtemes, Trey Machtemes, Emilee Small, Karlee Small, Tucker Small, Lennan Small, Kensington Small, and Breslyn Small

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS:

All of Martha's Many Friends

MUSIC:

"Waltz of the Angels"
"In The Garden"

INTERMENT:

Restlawn Memory Gardens Cemetery Huron, South Dakota

*A reception will follow at the Red Hog in Alpena.

Martha L. Lambert, 92, of Alpena, passed away Saturday, May 3, 2025, at Faulkton Senior Living.

Martha Lena Diede was born on December 13, 1932, in Huron, South Dakota, to Christ and Lydia (Huber) Diede. She grew up on a farm near Alpena and attended country school through the eighth grade. As the fourth of thirteen children, Martha played a vital role in helping care for her siblings, especially after the passing of her mother, Lydia, in 1952 due to stomach cancer.

On July 5, 1952, Martha married Richard Lambert in Huron. They made their home in Alpena, where they lived for 63 years and raised their only child, Linda, born on March 21, 1957. Martha and Richard celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in 2012, just months before Richard's passing that November.

Martha was known for her generosity and nurturing spirit. She spent many years doing housework and babysitting for others and often cared for her sister Alvina during illness. She was especially beloved for her homemade pickles and kuchens, her fondness for Molly B polka music, her love of gardening and puzzles, and her occasional enjoyment of a Miller Lite. Martha had a gift for hospitality, she treated everyone like family and always had snacks ready for visitors.

In 2016, Martha moved to Faulkton to be closer to her granddaughter, continuing to share her warmth and kindness with those around her.

Martha's life will forever be cherished by her grandchildren: Stacy (Shane) Machtemes, Faulkton, Jon (Sarah) Small, Brandon, and Cody (Jaclyn) Small, Harrisburg; great grandchildren: Logan (Ashley), Taylor (Colton Rall) and Trey Machtemes, Emilee, Karlee, and Tucker Small, and Lennan, Kensington, and Breslyn Small; great-great grandchild: Paxton Machtemes; brother, Jake (Arlene) Diede, Everett, WA; sister, Carol North, Huron; sister-in-law, Julia Diede, Redfield; brothers-in-law: Doug Lambert, Wisconsin and Glen Lambert, Minneapolis, MN; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, Richard in 2012; her parents; grandparents; daughter, Linda in 2013; son-in-law, Bob in 2017; six brothers; five sisters; and two nephews.

