



My Rosary Beads

A little pair of Rosary Beads,
As plain as plain can be.
But only God in Heaven knows,
How dear they are to me.
I have them always with me,
At every step I take.
At evening when I slumber,
At morn when I awake.
In bright and cloudy weather,
In sunshine or in rain.
In happiness or sorrow,
In pleasure or in pain.
It helps me in my struggle,
It reproves me when in sin.
Its look of gentle patience,
Rebukes the strife within.
In days of pain and anguish,
The greatest help I knew,
Was to hold my Rosary Beads
Until I calmer grew.
So when the time approaches
When I will have to die;
I hope my little Rosary Beads
Will close beside me lie.
That the Holy Name of Jesus
May be the last I say,
And kissing my sweet Rosary Beads,
My soul may pass away.



Faulkton, South Dakota
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In Loving Memory Of **Hazel Holt**

October 30, 1928
Faulkton, South Dakota

December 2, 2025
Faulkton, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 9, 2025
St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church
Faulkton, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Fr. John Short

ROSARY: Dale Holt

LECTOR & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Matt Schulte

MASS SERVERS: Samuel and Kolbe Trefz

OFFERTORY & PLACING OF THE PALL:

Hazel's Granddaughters

CASKET BEARERS: (Oldest Grandchild of Each Family)

Jim Roth, Brett Graves, Lonny Roach,
Matthew Holt, Jared Christopher-Holt, Cody Holt,
Derek Holt, and Luke Glawe

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS:

All of Hazel's Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

MUSICIANS:

Linda Bartholomew and Jerry Bowar

HYMNS:

"On Eagle's Wings" "Only a Shadow" "Be Not Afraid"
"Song of Farewell" "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

INTERMENT:

St. Thomas Catholic Cemetery
Faulkton, South Dakota

Hazel Holt, 97, of Faulkton, passed away Tuesday, December 2, 2025, at Faulkton Area Medical Center, surrounded by her family.

Hazel Bowar was born on October 30, 1928, at the Faulkton Hospital, the third child of Herman “Pat” and Josephine (Wherry) Bowar. She began her education at the Selting Country School near their home and later graduated from Faulkton High School with the Class of 1946.

On May 14, 1947, Hazel married William “Bill” Holt at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Faulkton, SD. They made their home on Bill’s farm in Devoe Township in southeast Faulk County. To this union, nine children were born—five girls and four boys. Many family gatherings were held at the farm, as it was simply easier to host everyone there than to try to “corral” all the children into a car.

Hazel was an active member of the St. Thomas Catholic Altar Society, Catholic Daughters of America, Extension Club, Abundantly Blessed group, and the Cancer Society. In 2000, she became a Third Order Carmelite Associate with the Mother of Mercy Monastery in Alexandria, SD.

Faith, family, and friends were her “line up for life.” She loved sunrises and sunsets, God’s natural paintings, even snow. She adored her family and insisted on holding every new baby for a photo. “God is great, God is good!”

Her hobbies throughout the years included sewing, quilting, entertaining guests, playing Scrabble and crossword puzzles, and working on picture puzzles.

Hazel is survived by her children: Judy Roth, Joanne Graves, Nancy Roach, Dale (Kim) Holt, Roger Holt, Wayne (Pearl) Holt, David (Shirley) Holt, Marie Holt, and Melanie (Bruce) Glawe; 38 grandchildren; 45 great grandchildren; one brother, Eugene (Jeanette) Bowar; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; loving husband, Bill Holt; great granddaughter, Jada Holt; sons-in-law: Roger Roth and Ron Graves; brothers: Doyle (Rosalie), Ben (Geraldine), and Keith (Madeline and Sara); sister, Gwen (Cecil) Sullivan; sister-in-law: Maureen “Billie” Bowar.

Memorials in Hazel’s honor may be directed to the Faulkton Area Medical Center Foundation, PO Box 100, Faulkton, SD 57438, or St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church PO Box 394, Faulkton, SD 57438.

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