



I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path
God has laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard His call;
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way.
I found peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with time of sorrow.
For I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life has been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts, and peace to thee,
God wanted me now so HE SET ME FREE.



Gettysburg, South Dakota
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In Loving Memory of

Betty Lou Casey

January 27, 1933
Gettysburg, South Dakota

May 12, 2013
Rapid City, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE:

11:00 a.m., Saturday, May 18, 2013
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Gettysburg, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Pastor Daniel Tews

CASKETBEARERS:

Jason Nagel Tony Larson Doug Larson
David Larson Kelly Osier Michael Larson

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS:

All of Betty's Many Great Nieces and Nephews

USHER: Florian Drexler

ORGANIST: Gail Larson

SOLOIST: Sarah Sue Tanner ~ "You Are Mine"

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:

"Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won"

INTERMENT:

Gettysburg Cemetery ~ Gettysburg, South Dakota

Betty Lou Casey, 80, of Gettysburg, passed away Sunday, May 12, 2013 at Hospice House in Rapid City, SD.

Betty Lou Casey was born January 27, 1933 to John and Clara (Jensen) Larson in Gettysburg, SD. She graduated from Gettysburg High School in 1951.

After high school Betty Lou spent time in Washington DC as a statistician for the US. Naval Services. In April of 1959 she was appointed Potter County Auditor, serving from April 1959 until December 1960. She then became the South Dakota State Auditor from 1961 to 1963.

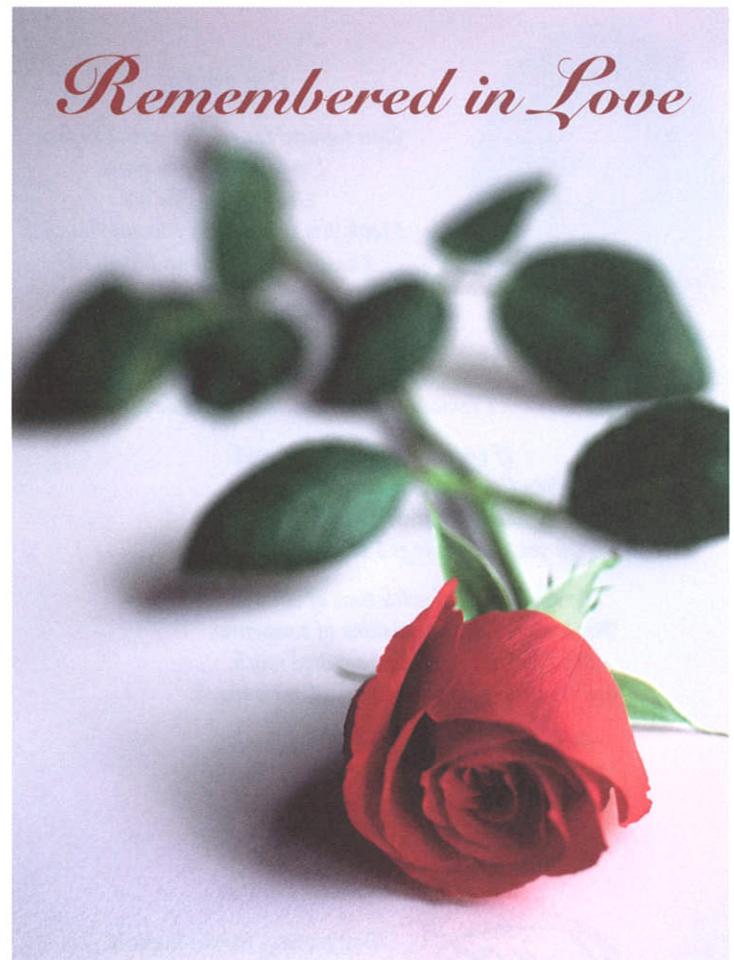
On February 17, 1962, Betty was united in marriage to Vernon Casey at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Gettysburg. Vernon's Air Force career gave them an opportunity to live in Alabama, New Jersey, Kansas, and Oklahoma. While Vernon served in Vietnam, Betty lived in Gettysburg and worked as secretary to the Hospital Administrator at the Gettysburg Memorial Hospital. Betty Lou moved back to Gettysburg in 2004 to be closer to family.

Betty was a staunch Republican and thoroughly enjoyed collecting GOP elephants. In her free time she was an avid follower of college sports and enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

Betty is survived by her sisters: Elsie Muehl of Sturgis, SD and Phyllis Newland of Rapid City, SD; sisters in law: Doris Larson of Gettysburg, SD and Arlys Larson of Breckenridge, MN; and all of her 29 nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Vernon Casey; brothers: Curtis, Vernon, and Harland Larson; and sister, Lucille Bahreke.

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Remembered in Love