



Safely Home

*I am home in Heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief is over,
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in Heaven at last.*

*And He came Himself to meet me
In that way so hard to tread;
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,
Could I have one doubt or dread?*

*Then you must not grieve so sorely,
For I love you dearly still;
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,
Pray to trust our Father's Will.*



Gettysburg, South Dakota
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Gladys Kathryn Hamlin was born June 11, 1926 at Highmore, SD to Gottlieb and Katharina (Sherer) Heckenlaible, Sr. She graduated from Highmore High School in 1944.

Gladys married Howard Hamlin on September 22, 1946 at Huron, SD. She lived in Highmore until 1966 at which time she moved to Gettysburg.

Gladys was a talented person, which showed in her diverse employment. She served as Gettysburg School secretary, Potter County News typesetter, florist and Potter County Auditor. Her latest employment until her retirement in 1999 was Vilas Drug. Gladys and her husband also managed the American Legion Club for a number of years. She became a resident of the Oahe Villa in March of 2011.

Gladys was a member of the United Methodist Church in Gettysburg. She was very active in the American Legion Auxiliary and served as District 10 President. She served as president, vice president and secretary of the Gettysburg Hospital Auxiliary. Gladys was also involved in the Gettysburg Country Club and VFW Auxiliary. She was Mardi Gras Queen in 1996.

Gladys loved flowers, enjoyed bowling, fishing, golfing, and camping. Her greatest joy in life was spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors who lovingly mourn her are her children: Thomas H. (Patricia) Hamlin of Madison and Connie (Karl) Johannsen of Tolstoy; eight grandchildren: Kristin Hamlin-Passes, Bemidji, MN, Kellie (Craig) Peters, Sioux Falls, Kari (Justin) Blasius, Kimball, Thomas P. Hamlin, Phoenix, AZ, Corey Johannsen, Tolstoy, Curt Johannsen, Hendrum, MN, Eric (Tina) Johannsen, Bath, and Memory Eltjes, Urbandale, IA; ten great grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two brothers, and two sisters.

Memorials may be sent to the United Methodist Church Building Fund, 101 W. Garfield, Gettysburg, SD 57442.

In Loving Memory of

Gladys K. Hamlin

June 11, 1926
Highmore, South Dakota

April 28, 2014
Faulkton, South Dakota

PRAYER SERVICE:

7:00 p.m., Thursday, May 1, 2014
Luce Funeral Home ~ Gettysburg, South Dakota

CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE:

10:30 a.m., Friday, May 2, 2014
United Methodist Church ~ Gettysburg, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Pastor Jeff Adel

CASKETBEARERS: "Grandsons"

Craig Peters Justin Blasius
Thomas P. Hamlin Corey Johannsen
Curt Johannsen Eric Johannsen

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS: Residents of the Villa

USHER: Carletta Kilian

ORGANIST: Gail Larson

VOCALISTS: Doug Larson & Pastor Jeff Adel

HYMNS: "Old Rugged Cross" "Precious Memories"
"In the Garden" "I Know My Redeemer Lives"

INTERMENT:

Gettysburg Cemetery ~ Gettysburg, South Dakota

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