



Sharing Time

*MOTHERS NEVER DIE—
THEY JUST KEEP HOUSE UP IN THE SKY
When we are children, We are happy and gay
And our MOTHER is young and she laughs
as we play,
They as we grow up, she teaches us truth
And lay life's foundation in the days
of our youth—*

*And then it is time for us to leave home
But her teachings go with us wherever we roam,
For all that she taught us and all that we did
When we were so often just a bad, little kid,
We will often remember and then realize
That MOTHERS ARE SPECIAL and WONDERFULLY WISE...
And as she grows older, we look back with love
Knowing that she "goes home" to receive her reward
She will dwell in GOD'S KINGDOM and
"KEEP HOUSE for THE LORD"
Where she'll "light up" the stars that shine through the night
And keep all the moonbeams "sparkling and bright"
And then with the dawn she'll put the darkness away
As she "scours" the sun to new brilliance each day...
So dry tears of sorrow, for MOTHER'S DON'T DIE...
They just move in with GOD and
"KEEP HOUSE IN THE SKY"
And there in GOD'S KINGDOM, MOTHERS watch from above
To welcome their children with their UNDYING LOVE!*



Gettysburg, South Dakota
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In Loving Memory Of

Elvina C. Simon

*October 10, 1929
Lowry, South Dakota*

*October 29, 2016
Sioux Falls, South Dakota*

SCRIPTURE WAKE SERVICE:

*7:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 2, 2016
Sacred Heart Catholic Church ~ Gettysburg, South Dakota*

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

*10:00 a.m., Thursday, November 3, 2016
Sacred Heart Catholic Church ~ Gettysburg, South Dakota*

OFFICIATING: Fr. Jerry Kopel

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: Sharon Mulder

LECTOR: Chuck Simon

CASKETBEARERS:

*Shane Simon, Lonnie Simon, Michael Mulder, Chris Simon,
Brent Simon, Darrin Simon, Chad Simon & Jeremy Simon*

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS:

All of Elvina's Great Grandchildren

PLACING OF THE PALL:

Gregg Simon, Rick Simon, Tim Simon & Sharon Mulder

OFFERTORY GIFTS: Tashina Pashby & Melissa Guiliano

USHERS: Mark Schatz & Scott Sheehan

MUSICIANS: Lexie Vogel and Sarah Larson

*HYMNS: "Amazing Grace" "How Great Thou Art"
"Lead Me Lord" "In The Garden"
"Song of Farewell" "On Eagle's Wings"*

INTERMENT:

*St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery
Hoven, South Dakota
1:30p.m., Thursday, November 3, 2016*

Elvina Simon, 87, of Gettysburg, passed away, Saturday, October 29, 2016 at Sanford Hospital, Sioux Falls surrounded by her family.

Elvina C. Knecht was born, October 10, 1929, in rural Lowry, SD to Gottlieb and Mary (Reuer) Knecht. She attended Sunny Side elementary school at Lowry, SD. At the age of 14, her family moved to a farm near the Swan Creek area, Hoven, SD. As a teenager, Elvina was employed by local farm families to help on their farms. She enjoyed playing softball in her free time.

Elvina married Marvin Edward Simon, May 21, 1947, at St. Anthony's Church, Hoven, SD. They made their home on a farm one mile West of Lebanon, SD. Marvin & Elvina managed a ranching operation which consisted of raising beef cattle, hogs, grains & row crops. Their biggest joy was the beef cattle business which they did for over 50 years. To this union, four children were born: Gregg, Rick, Sharon and Tim. Elvina dedicated over 50 years of her life working side by side with her husband on their ranching operation. They retired and moved to Gettysburg, SD in 1998.

Elvina taught elementary Catholic Christian Doctrine at Lebanon, SD for eight years as part of St. Mary's Parish in the 1970s! She was also a member of Sacred Heart Parish and Sacred Heart Altar Society, Gettysburg, SD. Elvina's life was devoted to her husband and family. She enjoyed playing cards, visiting with friends and spending time with her family. Elvina was so proud of her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren and cherished every occasion she could spend with them. The major highlight of each year was Christmas at Marvin & Elvina's home. All of their children, grandchildren & great grandchildren would try and make it back for this special annual family gathering. They felt so blessed as most of the family was able to travel back each year.

Elvina is survived by sons: Gregg (Sharon Morgan) Simon, of Mobridge, Rick (Imelda Schmidt) Simon, Gettysburg, and Tim (Sandy Boik) Simon, Webster; daughter, Sharon (Mark) Mulder, Sioux Falls; 10 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; one sister, Lucille Weisgram, Rapid City, and one brother, Harvey Knecht, Mitchell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Marvin in January, 2010; parents, Gottlieb & Mary Knecht and one sister, Elsie Seurer.

In lieu of flowers, the family ask that memorial be directed to any of the three following: Keep Hope Local, c/o Stacy Larson, 127 Hilltop Dr., Gettysburg, SD 57442; Medicine Rock Senior Center Meals on Wheels Program, 107 W Logan, Gettysburg, SD 57442 or the Sacred Heart Church Building Fund, PO Box 285, Gettysburg, SD 57442.

