



Mom,

*I fell,
and you picked me up
I cried,
and you wiped my tears
I was lost,
and you brought me home
I wanted fame,
and you were my audience
I desired a friend,
and you were there
I needed Love,
and you handed me your heart.
We'll Love you always.*



In Loving Memory Of

Ruth Marie Starks

March 16, 1929

October 21, 2021

Faulkton, South Dakota

Gettysburg, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

10:30 a.m., Friday, October 29, 2021

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Gettysburg, South Dakota

OFFICIATING:

Fr. Brian Simon

LECTOR:

Jackie Hansen

MUSICIANS:

Alice Simon

Sarah Thorne

HYMNS:

"Be Not Afraid"

"Amazing Grace"

"Song of Farewell"

"How Great Thou Art"

INURNMENT:

Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery

Gettysburg, South Dakota

Ruth Starks, 92, of Gettysburg, passed away Thursday, October 21, 2021, at Avera Oahe Manor, Gettysburg.

Ruth Marie Holmes was born March 16, 1929, to Robert "Bob" and Susan (Mouchet) Holmes in Faulkton, SD. She grew up on a farm southeast of Gettysburg and received her education from Gettysburg High School.

On September 24, 1947, Ruth was united in marriage to Clyde A. Starks at the United Methodist Church in Gettysburg. They made their home on a ranch northwest of Gettysburg until 1948 when they moved into town. They, along with the help of others, built the Starks apartments. They ran these for many years, keeping Ruth busy with cleaning and maintaining them. She also owned and operated, with her mother, the restaurant at the 5-mile corner west of Gettysburg for many years. She later ran the Eastside Drive Inn and worked at the Avera Oahe Manor.

Ruth enjoyed spending time working in her gardens. Many would tell her she had some of the nicest flowers in town.

Ruth is survived by her son, Bob Starks of Gettysburg; brothers: Loren (Nancy) Holmes of Mt. Pulaski, IL and Jim (Susan) Holmes of Boynton Beach, FL; brother-in-law, Bevin Roseland of Seneca; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Clyde, in 1988; and one sister, Lucille Leckey.



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