

The LORD is my *Shepherd;*  
I shall not want.  
He maketh me  
lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters,  
He restorest my *soul:*

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the  
valley of the shadow of death.

*I will fear no evil:  
for Thou art with me;*

Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies  
Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over  
Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life;  
And I will dwell in the house  
of the LORD *forever.*

- Psalm 23

*In Loving Memory Of*

# Shirley Ann Rush

November 5, 1952  
Pierre, South Dakota

July 16, 2024  
Pierre, South Dakota

## MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

2:30 p.m., Thursday, July 18, 2024  
Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
Gettysburg, South Dakota

**OFFICIATING:** Fr. Joe Holzhauser

**EUCARISTIC MINISTER:** Pat Rausch

**LECTORS:** Kari Nath and Richard Fransen

**OFFERTORY:** John and Kathy Heier

## CASKET BEARERS:

David Fransen, Richard Fransen,  
Patrick Fransen, Kevin Fransen,  
Loni Chandler, and Leasa Melton

**MUSICIAN:** Colleen Simon

## HYMNS:

"Amazing Grace"  
"How Great Thou Art"  
"On Eagle's Wings"  
"River of Glory"

## BURIAL:

Burial will take place at a later date.  
Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery  
Gettysburg, South Dakota

Shirley Rush, 71, of Pierre, SD, passed away peacefully Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at Avera St. Mary's Hospital, Pierre, SD.

Shirley Ann (Fransen) Rush was born in Pierre, South Dakota on November 5, 1952, to Frank Fransen and Mary Ann (Garrity) Fransen. Shirley was the oldest of 10 children. In her pre-school years, she and her family lived in the Gettysburg, Warner, Pierre, and Harrold areas of South Dakota. She began grade school in Gettysburg in 1959. She moved to Redfield with her family in late 1959. She attended Redfield Elementary School from November 1959 until the family returned to Gettysburg in June 1964.

Shirley married Ronald Gene Rush in Pampa, Texas on January 12, 1972. They lived in Worland, Wyoming; Siloam Springs, Arkansas; Tulsa, Oklahoma; and Enid, Oklahoma.

Shirley's greatest joy was held in her role as "Mom" and "Nana". She loved to sew and had a passion for turning something old into something new. She made countless barbie doll dresses for her daughters and granddaughters, and she strived to bring joy into the lives of those she loved.

She is survived by her three daughters: Loni Chandler (Waylon) of West Siloam Springs, OK; Laura Jean Mayo of Enid, OK; and Leasa Melton (DuWayne) of Arcadia, OK; ten grandchildren: Jessica Freeman (Daniel), Chris Chandler (Brittany), Trey Frazier, Drew Gray (Abigail), Joshua Melton (Reagan), Grace Melton, Brielle Whittaker, Zackary Gray, Alyssa Smith, Elizabeth Mayo; six great-grandchildren: Kaylie Cash, Ella, Ava and Wyatt Freeman, Rozlyn "Bow" and Jozie Chandler, and (Clark Chandler due any day); three brothers: David Fransen (Vicki) of Aberdeen, SD, Gerald Fransen (Peggy) of Parrish, FL, and Patrick Fransen of Pierre, SD; three sisters: Jean Oberfoell (Bob) of Ashton, SD, Kathy Heier (John) of Aberdeen, SD, and Mary Schmidt (Lonnie) of Huron, SD; and brother-in-law, Tim Hoag, Watertown, SD.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Mary Ann Fransen; sister, Pam Hoag; two brothers in infancy; and her paternal grandparents as well as maternal grandparents.

