

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.

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Miller, South Dakota
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In Memory

Gail Lucille Andersen

November 7, 1922 – February 4, 2013



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Miller, South Dakota

February 4, 2013
Redfield, South Dakota

Memorial Service and Eastern Star Rite

1:00 p.m., Saturday, February 9, 2013

First Presbyterian Church
Miller, South Dakota

Minister

Rev. Brian Jones

Honorary Urnbearers

Eastern Star
Marine Corp Auxiliary

Organist

Janet Fritzsche

Soloist

Cassie Beckett
"Amazing Grace"

Music Selections

"On Eagle's Wings"
"Old Rugged Cross"
"How Great Thou Art"

Inurnment

Hillcrest Cemetery
Miller, South Dakota

Gail Andersen, 90, of Miller, passed away Monday, February 4, 2013 at the Eastern Star Home in Redfield.

Gail Lucille was born November 7, 1922 to Robert and Mae (Butler) Mathews in Miller, South Dakota. She attended the Miller schools while growing up. In 1940, she was nominated Homecoming Queen and graduated in 1941. From there Gail went on to Commercial College to learn Stenography from 1941-1942. She traveled to Washington, D.C. in 1943 and began working for the Army intelligence for four years during World War II. While in Washington, D.C. she married Charley Thom Andersen on December 12, 1943. After Thom was honorably discharged from the Army, they returned to Miller in 1946. In 1961, Gail began working for the Soil Conservation Service for 18 years.

Thom and Gail enjoyed traveling; touring 43 states throughout their travels. For ten years, they also enjoyed wintering in Texas. In her spare time, she loved playing golf, bridge and growing flowers, especially peonies. She was a faithful and devoted wife.

On November 3, 2005, Gail suffered a severe stroke which led her to be a resident at the Eastern Star Home in Redfield. During that time, Thom continued to be a faithful husband and wonderful caregiver to Gail. Thom passed away December 16, 2010.

Gail was a member of the Presbyterian Church where she served as a deacon and several other offices. She was a 60 year member of the Eastern Star and the Women's Marine Corp Auxiliary.

Gail is survived by several nieces; nephews and special friends, Todd and DeAnn Beckett and family.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Thom; and two sisters: Hope Michalson and Ruth Mathews.