

Don't Be Sad

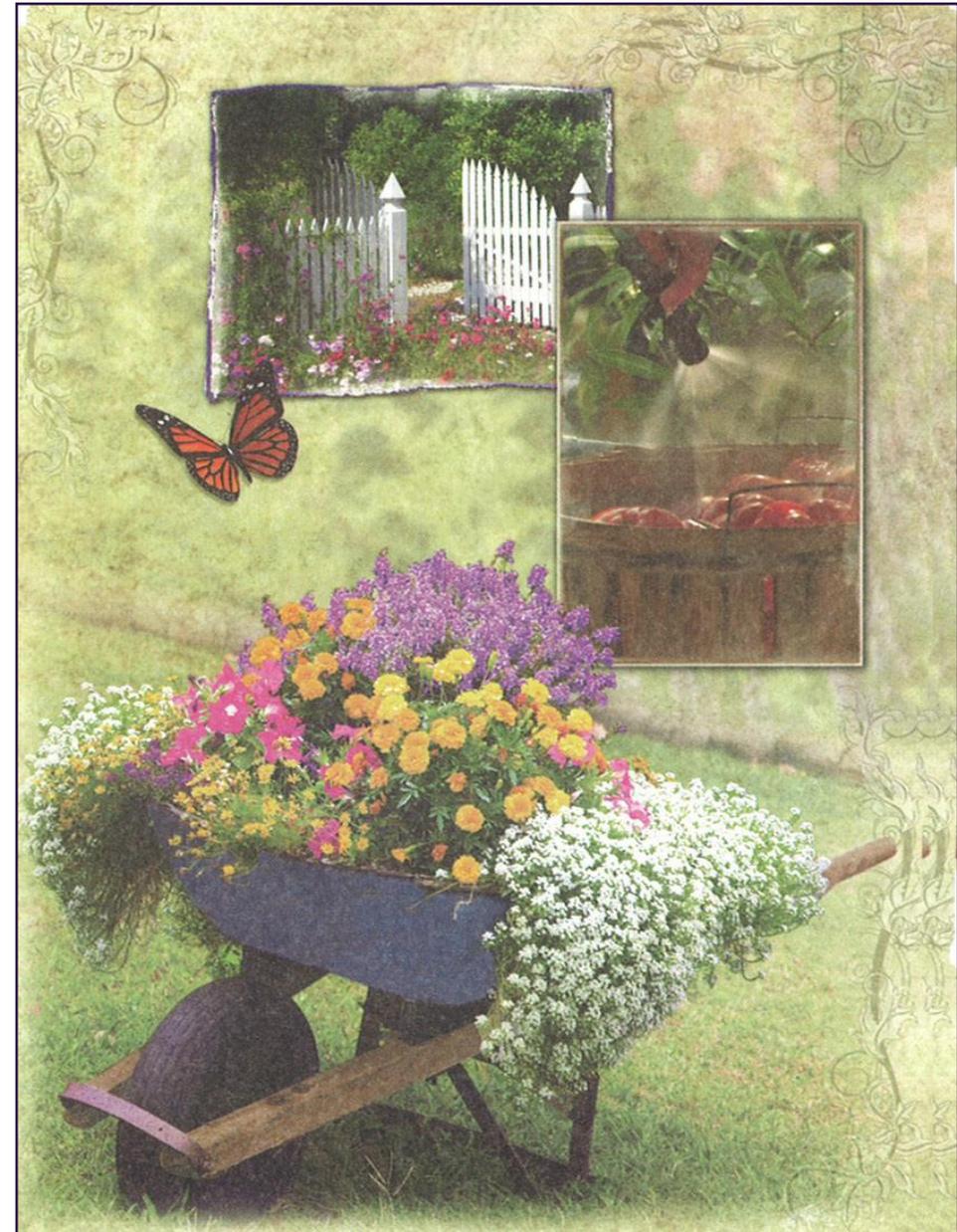
*Don't be sad and lonely,
Because I've gone away.
Think about me only,
When it's a brighter day.
Don't waste your time crying,
Since I'm no longer here.
You have spent enough time,
Showing me that you care.
Wipe away your sadness,
For tears won't bring relief.
Cherish the memories,
Forget about your grief.
If I could be with you,
That is where I would be,
But I have no power,
To change life's destiny.
So try to be happy,
Don't mourn your life away,
For we'll be together,
At the end of life's day.*

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Zona Ruth Verdugt

1915 - 2013



Zona Ruth (Ford) Verdugt, 97, of St. Lawrence, passed away Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at the Good Samaritan Society in Miller, SD.

Born in Hand County, SD on December 10, 1915, she was the second daughter of George E. and Elsie B. (Thompson) Ford. She attended and graduated from St. Lawrence High School in 1934.

On October 10, 1936, Zona married Leonard Verdugt in Yakima, WA; where both worked in orchards and on a dairy

farm to make enough money to return to St. Lawrence, SD. They had four daughters: Joanne, Kay, Virginia and Sharon. Zona was a hard working pioneer woman who spent most of her life gardening, canning, pickling, cooking, milking, plucking, washing and mending. After she and Leonard moved into St. Lawrence in 1950, she worked for Virgil Lips at The Sunset Motel cleaning rooms and at the desk (now the Dew Drop Inn), and later cooked for Leo Istas at the Driftwood Café. Still, she thoroughly enjoyed a moment at the piano playing a tune or listening to her great-grandchildren sing a song.

In 2002 due to failing health, she moved into the Prairie Good Samaritan Center. Zona was a member of the St. Lawrence Community Church. She was a lifelong resident of Hand County.

Her memory will be cherished by her four daughters: Vera "Joanne" (Frank) Lockner of St. Lawrence, SD, Kay Carolyn (Don) Boynton of Covington, OK, Virginia Karen "Jeanie" Hannum of St. Lawrence, SD and Sharon Marie Verdugt (Ron Hammill), St. Lawrence, SD; 10 grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, George and Elsie (Thompson) Ford; husband, Leonard Verdugt; her siblings, Verlyn (Melvin Hurd and Bud Blair) Hurd-Blair, Phyllis (Ogee) Johnson, and George (Viola) Ford, Jr; granddaughter, Renee (Boynton) Williams and grandson, Jeremy "JD" Gortmaker.

In Loving Memory

Zona R. Verdugt

December 10, 1915
Hand Co., South Dakota

July 17, 2013
Miller, South Dakota

PRAYER SERVICE

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 23, 2013
Reck Funeral Home
Miller, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

10:30 a.m., Wednesday, July 24, 2013
St. Lawrence Community Church
St. Lawrence, South Dakota

OFFICIATING

Pastor Scot Tutt

CASKETBEARERS

Dean Lockner
Jeff Lockner

Clifford Lockner
Levi Lunden

Daniel Palmer
Lyle Ford

ORGANIST

Donna Melber

PIANIST

Linda Allen

VOCALISTS

Brooke Runyan, Lindsay Palmer, Lara Jones
"Amazing Grace"

Lindsay Palmer – recorder, Brooke Runyan, Lara Jones
"Be Thou My Vision"

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

"Simple Gifts"

INTERMENT

St. Lawrence Cemetery
St. Lawrence, South Dakota