



*When I Must Leave You*

*When I must leave you for a little while,  
Please go on bravely with a gallant smile  
And for my sake and in my name,  
Live on and do all things the same—  
Spend not your life in empty days,  
But fill each waking hour in useful ways—  
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer,  
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near.*

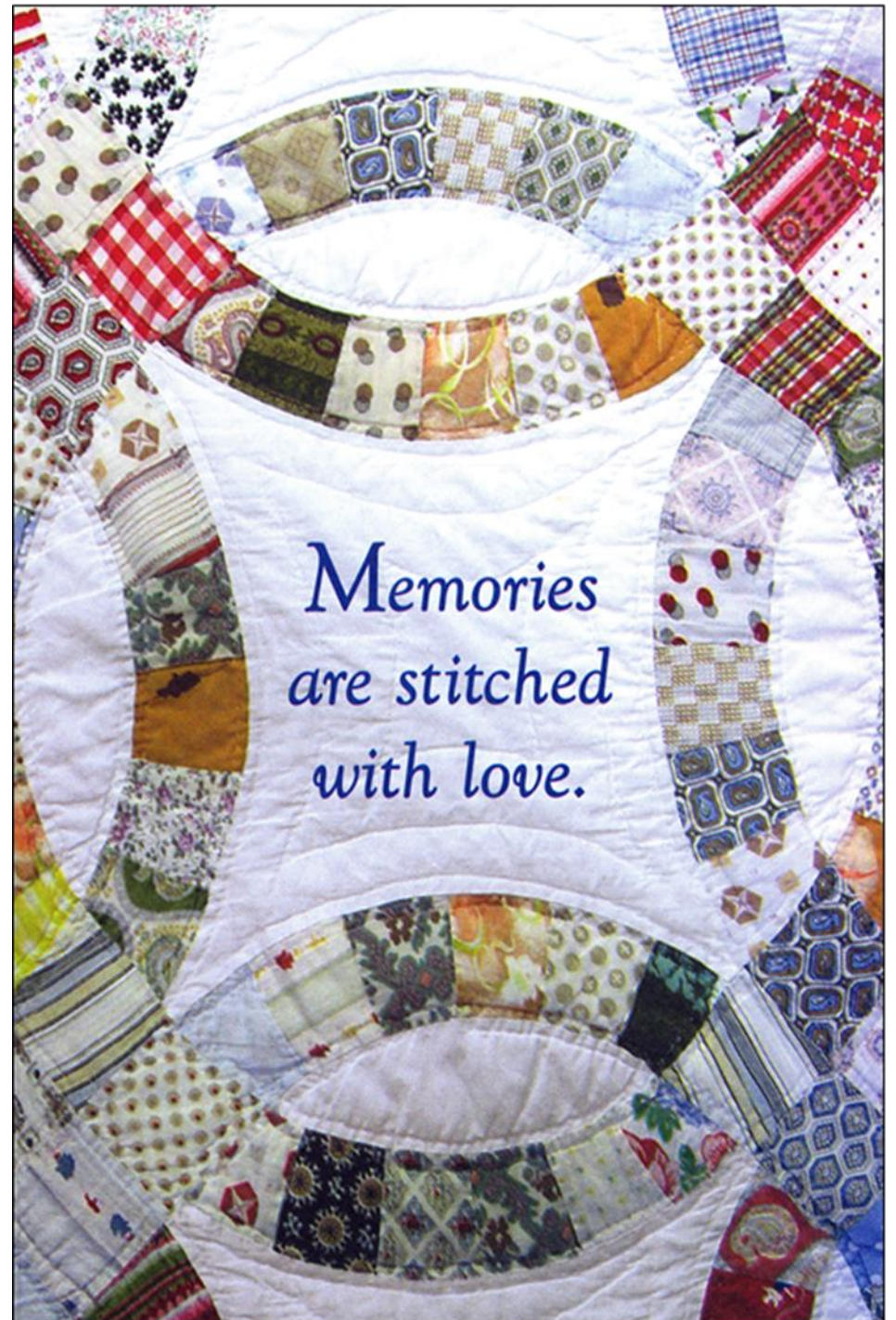
*Helen Steiner Rice*

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Irene Palmer, 91, of Miller and formerly of Wessington, known as the Beautiful Mother, passed away Friday, October 28, 2016 at Avera Hand County Memorial Hospital in Miller.

Annette Irene was born March 28, 1925 to Edward and Alma (Havcost) Moller in Wessington, SD. She attended school in Wessington; graduating from Wessington High School in 1943. On October 17, 1943, she married Nova Palmer and they moved to South Hand County, Rose Hill Township where they raised their three children: Gary, Janice "Peg", and Ray.

Irene was a member of Rose Hill Church and later First Presbyterian Church in Wessington. Her house on the corner was the local coffee shop for chocolate cake, brownies, and her specialty sour cream raisin pie and the noodles. She was known for hosting many meals for anyone and everyone. In her free time, she was a member of the Rose Hill Pioneer Club and her hobbies was most all kinds of needle work especially embroidering towels which she gave for wedding presents. She also made birth samplers for her great grandchildren which numbered 15.

Nova and Irene retired and moved to Miller in 1992. Irene entered the Good Samaritan Society 2009. At the nursing home, she loved putting puzzles together, working on word books, and continued to embroider towels.

Grateful for sharing her life are her children, Gary (Connie) Palmer, Peggy (Mark) Scott, and Ray (Darlene) Palmer; grandchildren: Marcia Julian, Gayle Scott, Cori Reid, Gina Adrian, Brad Palmer, Sheila Nordquest, and Ryan Palmer; and 15 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Nova; two sisters, Bernice and Mildred; and two brothers, Gene and Eddie.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest memorials be directed to the Good Samaritan Society, 421 E. 4th St., Miller, SD 57362 or the First Presbyterian Church in Wessington, SD.

# *In Loving Memory*

## *Irene Palmer*

March 28, 1925  
Wessington, South Dakota

October 28, 2016  
Miller, South Dakota

### ***FUNERAL SERVICE:***

10:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 2, 2016  
First Presbyterian Church  
Wessington, South Dakota

***OFFICIATING:*** Rev. Brian Jones

### ***CASKETBEARERS:***

Bruce Eichstadt – Doug Testerman – Jim Major  
Merle Eichstadt – Lee Moller – Buzz Noyes

### ***HONORARY CASKETBEARERS:***

Gene Norton – Travis Letsche  
Dick Moriarty – Don Moriarty

***ORGANIST:*** Karen Jensen

***VOCALIST:*** Leo Jensen  
"Just Beyond The Sunset"  
"Peace In The Valley"

### ***INTERMENT:***

Wessington Cemetery  
Wessington, South Dakota

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**Following the burial service, everyone is invited for lunch and fellowship with the family at the church.**