

Avis Chipman, 96, of Miller, SD passed away peacefully Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at the Good Samaritan Society in Miller.

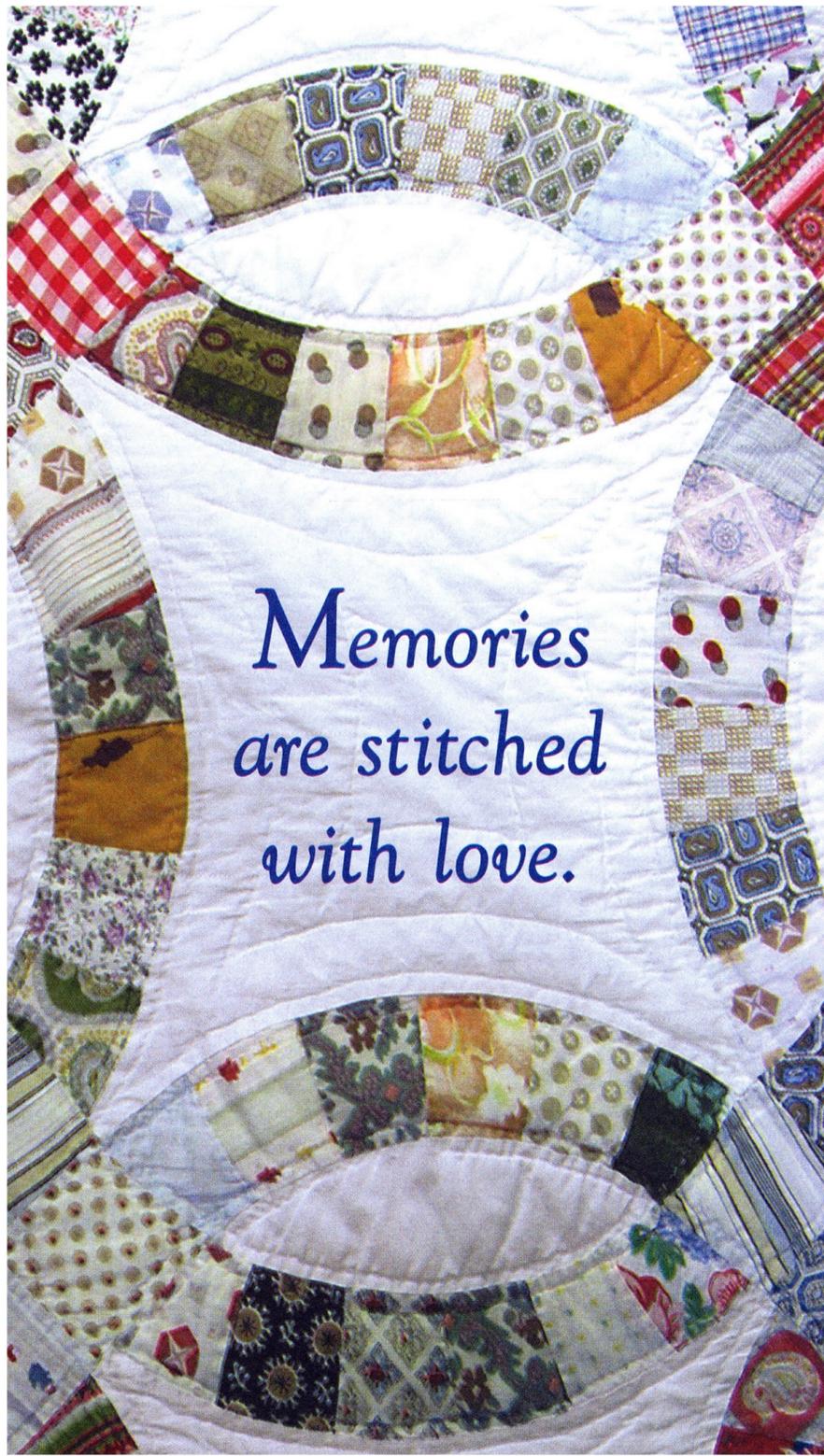
Avis Lorraine Olson was born August 10, 1923, the sixth of eight children of Charles G. Olson & Matiel L. (Fisher) Olson in Burdette, Hand County, South Dakota. Charlie & Mattie owned and operated the Burdette Store in rural Burdette Township where Avis worked with her family. She attended grade school in Burdette and the Wheaton Congregational Church. She graduated from Redfield High School in 1941 and married Dwight Chipman February 15, 1942. They bought a farm in Holden Township where they raised livestock, crops, and welcomed their children Dwane and Dwana there. While on the farm, they attended Sunbeam Congregational Church. In 1964, they moved to Miller and started Chipman Inc. machinery dealership where she did the bookkeeping. She semi-retired in 1976 when Dwane Chipman and Jim Kolda took over the business. She had fun traveling and fishing with Dwight, until his death in 1983.

Avis was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church, secretary of the McWhorter House Museum, a 50-year member of Eastern Star, an active member of the Red Hat Society and the Friendship Center. She enjoyed quilting and was a beautiful seamstress. All of her children and grandchildren were the lucky recipients of priceless quilts. She liked to play bridge and had many close friends in card clubs. She was an avid Miller Rustlers fan and enjoyed watching the Minnesota Twins. Avis loved to host family gatherings and was a very good cook. She was also a great family historian and made many photo albums with details only she knew. She liked to keep busy and kept an immaculate home, often while whistling or smiling. Avis spent countless hours playing games and entertaining her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She created so many precious memories that will always be cherished!

Avis is survived by son, Dwane (Harriet) Chipman, Miller; daughter, Dwana (Jim) Kolda, Sioux Falls; grandchildren: Teresa Vernon, Jasele (Scott) Brue, Marci (Derrick Kingma) Timmerman, Kyle (Lisa) Kolda, Ashley (Jay) Winter, Hailey (Sam) Lauer; great grandchildren: Ben and Jack Vernon; Preston, Pierce, Palmer, and Payden Brue; Adalie and Adrian Winter; sister, Amy Garman; sister-in-law, Bev Olson; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Dwight; siblings: Marion (Jim) Fallon, Paul (Velma) Olson, Esther (Bill) Earle, Viola (Bayard) Phinney, Maurice (Fran) Olson, Wally Olson; brothers-in-law: Bill Garman, Darrell (Phyllis) Chipman; special friend, Jim Keywood; and many dear friends.

Arrangements Entrusted To
Luce, Luze, & Reck Funeral Homes - Miller, South Dakota
www.familyfuneralhome.net



Memories
are stitched
with love.



Safely Home

I am home in Heaven;
All's so happy and all so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief are over,
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in Heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly
Trode the valley of the shade?
Oh! But Jesus' love illumined
Every dark and fearful glade.

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.

Avis Lorraine Chipman

August 10, 1923 - January 15, 2020

Prayer Service:

7:00 p.m., Monday, January 20, 2020
First Presbyterian Church
Miller, South Dakota

Funeral Service:

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 21, 2020
First Presbyterian Church
Miller, South Dakota

Minister: Rev. Brian Jones

Casketbearers:

Grandchildren
Teresa Vernon - Jasele Brue - Marci Timmerman
Kyle Kolda - Ashley Winter - Hailey Lauer

Honorary Casketbearers:

Great Grandchildren

Pianist: Janice Palmer

Congregational Hymns:

"It Is Well with My Soul"
"Here I Am, Lord"
"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

Interment:

G.A.R. Cemetery
Miller, South Dakota

Due to the cold and snow, we are asking only family at the cemetery. Everyone is invited to wait at the church fellowship hall for lunch and fellowship with the family when they return.