

This Is My Prayer

Father, the days on earth have come to an end,
And though my loved ones grieve, I feel their prayers.
But now, Father, You have called me home—
To the place my heart has longed to be,
Beside the man You gave to me.

For years I felt his presence near,
His gentle hand guiding me through sorrow and joy.
Now, reunited, our souls embrace
In Your eternal light—whole, and free.

Father, I thank You for the life we shared—
For every dawn, every laughter, every tear.
You blessed us with love that stood unshaken,
Rooted deep in grace and faith.
You gave me a partner, a soul mate, a forever friend.

And now, together once again,
We watch over those we love below—
Our children, our family, our legacy of compassion.
May Your peace wrap around them
Until the day we all are gathered home.

Father, I am filled with gratitude,
For love that never truly dies,
For promises kept beyond the veil of time.
Thank You for leading me back to him—
The one You chose for me, then and always.

Sincerely,
His Loving Wife



Miller, South Dakota
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In Memory Of

Gladys M. Nye

January 6, 1933 - November 3, 2025

Gladys M. Nye, 92, of Miller and formerly of Pierre, passed away Monday, November 3, 2025, at the Avera Hand County Memorial Hospital in Miller. Gladys Marie Nye, beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great great-grandmother, sister, aunt, great-aunt, and friend, passed away comfortably and peacefully surrounded by love, family, and cherished memories.

She was born on January 6, 1933, in Ree Heights, South Dakota, to Thomas and Fay Melvin. Gladys grew up close-knit family alongside her siblings— Elizabeth, Della, Elsie, Orr (“Bud”), and Lou— as the second youngest of the Melvin children. In her primary school years, she attended Ree Heights Elementary and later graduated from Pierre High School. During her high school years, Gladys lived above a local bakery, where she worked and developed a lifelong appreciation for baking.

It was during her youth in Canning, South Dakota, that she met the love of her life, LeRoy Delmar Nye. The two were married on October 5, 1952, and began their life together on the family farm in Canning. Their loving marriage blossomed into a beautiful family of five children: Alan, Leann, Thomas, Lori Ann, and Donnie.

Throughout her life, Gladys was known for her strong work ethic and kind heart. She worked for many years at the South Dakota State Capitol, and later found great joy in her role as the cook at Head Start, where she combined her passion for nourishing others with her love for children.

After fifty wonderful years on the farm, Gladys and LeRoy retired and moved to Pierre. There, she rekindled her lifelong love of sewing— creating countless beautiful, unique quilts that reflected her creativity and warmth. In November of 2018, Gladys relocated to Miller, South Dakota, where she enjoyed her final years surrounded by new friends, some family, and the welcoming Miller community.

Gladys will be lovingly remembered for her joy in life’s simple pleasures— puzzles, cards, bingo, and her famously delicious caramel rolls and custard rhubarb pies. She took immense pride in her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchild, always boasting of their accomplishments and cherishing every moment spent together. Her sharp wit and competitive spirit made every card game a lively affair.

Gladys is survived by her sons: Thomas and wife Karen of Aurora, Colorado, Donnie and wife Debbie of St. Lawrence, South Dakota; her sister, Lou of Missouri; twelve grandchildren; twenty-six great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Fay Melvin; her beloved husband, LeRoy; her children: Alan, Leann, and Lori Ann; and her siblings: Elizabeth, Della, Elsie, and Bud.

Gladys’s life was one filled with love, laughter, and dedication to family. Her kindness, strength, and warmth will continue to live on in all those whose lives she touched.

Funeral Service

10:30 a.m., Saturday, November 8, 2025
Community Church of St. Lawrence
St. Lawrence, South Dakota

Officiating

Rev. Jim Hoffman
Nathan Nye

Casketbearers

David Goff - Leana Nye
Chad Nye - Tom Goff
Nathan Nye - Garret Nye
Justin Nye - Taylor Nye
Kyle Nye - Vince Nye
Charley Nye - Samantha Goff

Speakers

Don, Justin, & Kyle Nye

Pianist

Nancy Harrell

Vocalists

Gladys’ Great Grandchildren

Musical Selections

“Amazing Grace”
“In the Garden”
“The Old Rugged Cross”

Burial

Pleasant Hill Cemetery
Bllunt, South Dakota

*The family warmly invites you to join them
for muffins, rolls, and continued fellowship
following the service in the church hall.*