

In Loving Memory of
Irene Filbey

March 5, 1908
Battle Creek, Michigan

October 8, 2010
Pierre, South Dakota

PRAYER SERVICE:

7:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 13, 2010
Luze Funeral Home ~ Highmore, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE:

10:00 a.m., Thursday, October 14, 2010
United Methodist Church ~ Highmore, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: *Pastor Jenene Earl*

CASKETBEARERS:

<i>Owen Filbey</i>	<i>Brian Melchert</i>
<i>Jerry DuBois</i>	<i>Skeet Smith</i>
<i>Greg Ellsworth</i>	<i>Jason Runestad</i>

MEMORIAL BOOK: *Linda DuBois*

ORGANIST: *Vi Pfeifer*

SOLOIST: *Laurie Smith*

"Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone" "My Heart Will Go On"

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: *"Just a Closer Walk With Thee"*

INTERMENT:

Highmore City Cemetery ~ Highmore, South Dakota

*To everything there is a season,
a time for every purpose under the sun.*

A time to be born and a time to die;

a time to plant and a time to

pluck up that which is planted;

a time to kill and a time to heal ...

a time to weep and a time to laugh;

a time to mourn and a time to dance.



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Irene Filbey, 102, of Pierre, passed away Friday, October 8, 2010 at her home.

Irene was born March 5, 1908 in Battle Creek, MI. She was the eldest daughter of Lawrence and Bertha (Kip) Ellis. She graduated from a three room country school in Gascoyne, ND and attended Rapid City Commercial College where she met Theodore Albert Filbey. She taught for some years at various places, earning \$60/month and paying \$16/month room and board. She would teach for 2 years then the school district would move her to another school. The last place she taught did not hire her for the second year, fearing she was soon to be married and consequently pregnant, but letters showed their mistake as they begged her to come back after a string of bad luck!

Irene was married to Theodore Albert Filbey on September 1, 1940 at Pierre, SD. They took over the Filbey family ranch south of Holabird, SD in 1950, where they raised their two children, Frances Etta (Filbey) Smith and Owen Dean Filbey. Irene was an active 4-H leader and often threw dances in the basement of their home.

Ted and Irene moved to Pierre in 1966 and invested their time and money in rental houses. Irene resided there until her death.

Irene is survived by her children Frances and Owen, grandchildren Buffy (Smith) Ellsworth and Caycee (Smith) Melchert, and great grandchildren Samantha Melchert and Alana Ellsworth.

She is preceded in death by her parents Lawrence and Bertha Ellis, siblings Perry, Homer, Martha, and Marian, and husband Theodore.

