

Cara Jean Senn, 41, of Seneca, passed away Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at her sister's home in Pierre surrounded by her family.

Cara Jean Senn was born August 28, 1975 in Gettysburg, SD to Charles A. and Deon (Zens) Senn. Cara was born with a disability - Microcephaly/Cerebral Palsy, but that did not define her. She grew up in a small household filled with siblings who knew nothing more than that she was going to play, interact and be a part of all things.

Although Cara had no formal education, she was a teacher. Cara taught her family to be more loving and compassionate throughout her life. By example and by her eyes and smile, she was thankful to all who visited and cared for her, throughout the years: especially her mother. She taught her family to laugh better. She loved to hear crying babies, grandma Delores' laugh, and dad's cough. She enjoyed the sounds of music and hearing and watching her singing stuffed animal toys. She taught perseverance; even though doctors said as a child she had only a few years to live, she surpassed their expectations. She taught her family what it meant to be humble and had a way of making everyone appreciate their life more. She taught patience, and that if one's day wasn't going good or as planned it could always be worse.

Cara's interest included listening to music, dancing (always with a partner), and huge family gatherings. She was a great listener and kept many secrets. She will be deeply missed; however, her family knows she is home with Jesus and finally at peace.

Cara's giggles were infectious. She truly taught her family the bigger meaning of love and family.

Those blessed to have been part of Cara's life were her mother: Deon Senn of Seneca; her siblings: Carol (Rolland) Potter of Seneca, Joan (Richard) Hahn of Pierre, Charla Harford of Redfield, Jim (Liz) Senn of Mitchell, Joe (Jodi) Senn of Seneca, Jerry (Heather) Senn of Nisland, and Cheri (Shane) Moke of Belle Fourche; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Cara was preceded in death by her father; maternal grandparents: Robert & Delores (Jankord) Zens; and paternal grandparents: Julius & Fae (Baugus) Senn.

Arrangements Entrusted To



Faulkton, South Dakota
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PRAYER SERVICE:

7:00 p.m., Friday, February 3, 2017
St. Thomas the Apostle Church – Faulkton, S.D.

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

2:00 p.m., Saturday, February 4, 2017
St. Thomas the Apostle Church – Faulkton, S.D.

CELEBRANT: Father Christopher Hughes

CASKETBEARERS:

Carol Potter – Joan Hahn
Charla Harford – Cheri Moke

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS:

Jim Senn – Joe Senn – Jerry Senn
All of Cara's nieces and nephews

USHERS: Roger Zens & Jim Zens

LECTOR: Pat Breen

PLACING OF THE PALL:

Jim, Joe, & Jerry Senn

OFFERTORY: Darlene & Deann Zens

ORGANIST: Linda Bartholomew

VOCALIST: Jerry Bowar

INTERMENT:

St. Boniface Catholic Cemetery
Seneca, South Dakota

HEAVEN'S VERY SPECIAL CHILD

A meeting was held quite far from Earth!
It's time again for another birth.
Said the Angels to the LORD above,
This Special Child will need much love.

His progress may be very slow,
Accomplishments he may not show.
And he'll require extra care
From the folks he meets down there.

He may not run or laugh or play,
His thoughts may seem quite far away,
In many ways he won't adapt,
And he'll be known as handicapped.

So let's be careful where he's sent,
We want his life to be content.
Please LORD, find the parents who
Will do a special job for you.

They will not realize right away
The leading role they're asked to play,
But with this child sent from above
Comes stronger faith and richer love.

And soon they'll know the privilege given
In caring for their gift from Heaven.
Their precious charge, so meek and mild,
Is **HEAVEN'S VERY SPECIAL CHILD.**

"If there ever
comes a day
where we can't be
together, keep me
in your heart.
I'll stay there forever."

-Winnie the Pooh

