



Bernice Bren

October 6, 1919 - February 2, 2012

Glendive, Montana: Bernice Bren, age 92, passed away on Sunday, January 29, 2012 at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive. Visitation will be held from 1:00 P.M. until 5:00 P.M. and from 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 A. M. on Thursday, February 2, 2012 at the Community Bible Church with Reverend Dan Pust officiating. Interment will be held in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements. Bernice Irene Bren was born on October 6, 1919 at her home south of Lindsay, Montana, the daughter of Samuel Scoville and Grace (Shepherd) Lehman. She received her early education at Pierce School near the family homestead and then attended high school at Dawson County High School graduating with the class of 1937 during one of the worst dust storms in the "Dirty Thirties". Bernice attended Normal School in Billings, Montana receiving her teaching certificate in 1939. Bernice married Adolph Bren on September 2, 1939, they lived on the Bren homestead near the divide between Circle and Lindsay. She began her teaching career at Summit School in rural McCone County. Later she taught rural schools at High Point, Centerville and Union Schools. In 1965, Bernice began teaching fourth and fifth grades in Circle. She retired from teaching in 1985, after twenty-four years of shaping young lives in the classroom, always stating she loved every minute of it. Bernice's greatest joy was helping and serving others. Besides

helping Adolph on the farm and raising six children, she was a 4-H leader, Sunday School teacher and a member of the Near and Far Homemakers' Club. After moving to Circle she spent many hours volunteering at the Nursing Home, McCone County Museum and the Senior Center. In 1990, Bernice was honored by being selected Senior Citizen of the Year in McCone County. As a member of the Evangelical Church in Circle, she was active in Missions, youth activities and served on the Pastor Parrish committee. She was an excellent cook, famous for her "kuchen" which she always provided for bake sales. Decorating wedding cakes was another of her many talents. One of her favorite activities was raising beautiful flowers and working in the yard. Her greatest hope was that all of her family would receive Christ as their personal Savior so they would all be reunited in Heaven one day. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; all her brothers and sisters; sons-in-law, Al Crawford, Kenny Schipman and Kenneth Conner, and great grandson, William Turner. Survivors include her six children, Dianne Crawford of Prescott Valley, Arizona, Mary Lou (Dick) McLees of Glendive, Bonnie Conner of Big Timber, Montana, Berni Johnson of Custer, South Dakota, Randy (Sue) Bren of Sacramento, California and Joyleen (Glen) Schipman of Glendive. Memorials are suggested to the Senior Center in Circle or the Eastern Montana Bible Camp. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silvernale-silhafuneralhome.com.

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