



Eleanor Veronica (Geiger) McLeod

April 16, 1925 - February 9, 2015

Eleanor Veronica (Geiger) McLeod, age 89, passed away on Monday, February 9, 2015 at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive with her family by her side. Visitation will be held from 10:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 12, 2015 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. A Vigil Service will be held at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 12, 2015 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, February 13, 2015 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive with Father Alphonsus Enelichi officiating. Rite of Committal will be held in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements. Eleanor was born on April 16, 1925 on the family homestead in Bloomfield, Montana, the daughter of Frank Sr. and Kathryn (Wetch) Geiger. She was raised on the family farm and attended Morgan Creek School in Bloomfield and later commuted to Glendive to attend Sacred Heart Catholic School. Eleanor was one of the first to graduate the eighth grade and continued her education at the Dawson County High School. Following her school years, she married Harley Lovaas on July 15, 1944 in Glendive and three sons were born, Ron, Ken and Mike. In 1951, Harley passed away. She was later married to Arthur Benoit on March 2, 1954 and to this union one son, Frankie was born. Together they lived in Poplar, Montana for thirteen years before moving to Glendive. While living in Glendive she worked for Cedar Grill and Safeway's Lunch Counter. Eleanor was later united in marriage to Donald

"Scottie" McLeod on June 19, 1968 in Wyoming. Together they lived in Glendive where she tended bar at the Southside Tavern for twenty-one years. In 1988, Eleanor and Scottie moved to Billings due to his poor health and he later passed away in 1992. After Scottie's passing, Eleanor moved back to Glendive where she lived out her retirement playing cards and growing flowers. In 2007, she moved to Grandview, which she loved. She never missed a Monday Pinochle tournament.

Eleanor loved her family dearly and they were all very important to her. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Eleanor was preceded in death by her parents; two husbands, Harley and Scottie; brothers, Bill Geiger, Johnny Geiger, Frank Geiger and Pius Geiger; sisters, Kathryn Reisenauer and Barbara Volk; and two sons, Ron and Ken Lovaas.

She is survived by her sister, Agnes Reeves of Glendive; sister-in-law, Jean Geiger of Glendive; her sons, Mike (June) Lovaas of Glendive and Frank (Mare) Benoit of Aberdeen, South Dakota; daughters-in-law, Diane Lovaas of Glendive and Kathy Lovaas of Aberdeen; ten grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren with one on the way who will be named Elly after Eleanor; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Dawson County Cemetery

Corner of North Sargent Ave. and East Allard
Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 12. 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Home
221 North Meade Avenue
Glendive, MT 59330

Visitation

FEB 12. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (MT)

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Vigil Service

FEB 12. 7:00 PM (MT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

FEB **13**. 10:00 AM (MT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
316 West Benham Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Tribute Wall



“ *Eleanor Veronica (Geiger) McLeod*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Eleanor and my mom (Lois Beebe) were the best of friends! Eleanor and her boys spent a lot of time at my house when I was a child. I remember my mom telling me that whenever Eleanor's boys had a loose tooth she would call my mom and my mom would go over to her house. Eleanor would lock herself in the bathroom because she was petrified at the sight of blood and my mom would pull her son's teeth. She was such a beautiful lady inside and out. I only was able to see her once when she lived in Billings but I will miss her!!*

Vickie Noble - February 17, 2015 at 10:02 AM



“ *I haven't seen Aunt Eleanor in years! I remember babysitting for Ronnie and Ken when they were little, and I remember her visiting us in Miles City. She was a great lady and I remember her playing her guitar and singing. I am sure her kids will miss her.*

Peggy Dinardi Lytton - February 12, 2015 at 12:40 PM



“ *Peggy Dinardi Lytton lit a candle in memory of Eleanor Veronica (Geiger) McLeod*



Peggy Dinardi Lytton - February 12, 2015 at 12:35 PM

DB

“ *Denise Borotrager lit a candle in memory of Eleanor Veronica (Geiger) McLeod*



Denise Borotrager - February 11, 2015 at 11:08 PM

DD

“ *DAN AND SUMIKO DINARDI*



DANIEL DINARDI - February 11, 2015 at 04:03 PM

ED

“ *Edna Dinardi lit a candle in memory of Eleanor Veronica (Geiger) McLeod*



Edna Dinardi - February 11, 2015 at 01:08 PM

DJ

“ WHAT A GREAT AUNT SHE WAS, THE ONLY TIME I GOT TO SEE HER WAS WHEN I WORKED FOR THE RAIL ROAD IN GLENDIVE . IWOULD STOP BY THE SOUTH SIDE TAVERN AND SEE HER.

DAN DINARDIJR
BILLINGS MT

DANIEL DINARDI JR - February 11, 2015 at 09:06 AM

CB

“ What a beautiful lady she was. I am so sorry for your loss.

Cindi Byron - February 10, 2015 at 12:32 PM

JS

“ Jim And Donna Stanfill lit a candle in memory of Eleanor Veronica (Geiger) McLeod



Jim and Donna Stanfill - February 09, 2015 at 09:10 PM