



## Loretta Bertha McPherson

May 4, 1934 - October 14, 2021

Loretta Bertha Siegle Dietz McPherson was born May 4, 1934 in Glendive, MT to Christ and Bertha (Mittelstaedt) Siegle the oldest of 5 children. Loretta died on October 14, 2021 at GMC Extended Care. A Memorial service will be held on Friday, June 10, 2022, at 11:00 am at Zion Lutheran Church in Glendive with Pastor Brenda Frelsi officiating. Interment will follow in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Loretta grew up and attended schools in Glendive. She married Alvin Dietz and together they had three children. Loretta loved the title of mother and provided a good life for her kids. She worked at Peoples Market and at Reynolds Warehouse Grocery when it first opened. She then began a job she truly loved, working over 17 years, at EastMont Human Services with the residents she considered family and making lifelong friends with staff. Loretta was also a forever member of the 'Sewing Club' and enjoyed getting together with those special ladies.

In 1992 Loretta married Joe McPherson and moved to the farm near Savage. She loved farm life, tending her garden and flowers, keeping the cats and dogs fed and cooking many great meals for family and friends. Loretta moved back to town after Joe died.

Mom liked being outdoors taking walks and caring for the flowers at her apartment in town. Mom's greatest joy was spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren always sharing love and laughter and activities to make the memories we cherish today. She liked to cook and bake and shared these gifts generously. We all benefitted from her seamstress talents from bridesmaid dresses and clothes to personalized pillowcases and everything in between. She crocheted, knitted, embroidered and was never without a project. All the babies she knew ended up with her wonderful flannel blankets and hooded towels and she kept us all supplied with knitted dish clothes.

Mom's strong faith in God and church family were a constant in her life. As a member of Zion Lutheran she helped with quilting, supporting Sunday School, making lefse and was on the Chancel Guild and a member of ZLCW.

Mom never missed a chance to acknowledge a special occasion and reach out with cards and letters. We all watched for mail from her because we knew it held her signature crisply ironed dollar bills for birthdays, anniversaries and holidays.

After complications from a stroke in 2019 Loretta became a resident of Glendive Medical Center Extended Care and we are so thankful for the loving care she received while living there.

Loretta was preceded in death by her husband and parents, brother Orville Siegle, sister Veldean Cook, granddaughter Paula Hoyer, brother-in-law Larry Boyce, and sister-in-law Nancy Siegle.

Loretta is survived by her three children, son Ronald Dietz and Mary of Aberdeen, SD; daughter Jean Grotberg of Bozeman, MT; and daughter JoAnn Kalloch and Tom of Glendive. Six grandchildren Mandi Yurkovich and Jason and Heather Glover and Dan all of Aberdeen, SD; Ronnie Dietz and Erin of

Becker, MN;

Brian Kalloch and Bridget of Billings, MT; Megan Reichert and Kaycie (Kynett) of Livingston, MT; Avery Grotberg and Sarah (Brown) of Clarkston, MT. Twelve great grandchildren Hudson, Landen, Caden, Reese, Kaylee, Parker, Joelle, Gavin, Savannah, Mason, Mallory and Michael. Sister Shirley Boyce of Glendive, brother Dale Siegle of Livingston, sister-in-law Donna Siegle of Glendive and brother-in-law Virgil Cook of Oklahoma.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Loretta's name are suggested to Zion Lutheran Church in Glendive.

Enjoy dancing with the Angels Mom – we love you forever!

# Cemetery Details

## Dawson Memorial Cemetery

2816 West Towne Street  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN 10. 11:00 AM (MT)

Zion Lutheran Church  
401 Riverview Avenue  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Tribute Wall



“ *Loretta Bertha McPherson*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. I remember Loretta when she was at People's Market and, of course, the many years at Zion. Then having the privilege to teach Jean at DCC and she always made me look brilliant!! Ha ha. It seems talent runs in the family. Loretta was a wonderful lady! Cherish the memories.*

**Jackie Schultz** - June 08, 2022 at 10:06 AM



“ *Joanne and Tom, my condolences in the loss of your mom. Loretta and I worked together many years at Eastmont. I can remember her telling me what a great 50th birthday she had celebrating with family and friends. That had seemed like a big number to me, and now it doesn't. Loretta had a great way of telling a story. You almost felt you were there  
Her quick smile and welcoming hug will be missed  
God's Peace  
, Barbara Jessen*

**Barbara Jessen** - June 07, 2022 at 10:04 PM



“ *Hey Loretta, I love you more than an Irish Setta. You live in the hearts and lives of everyone you touched.... rest easy mama.*

**Jean Grotberg** - June 06, 2022 at 07:39 PM

SB

*I remember your mom with great fondness. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Sandra Sorlie Brown - June 09, 2022 at 08:59 PM

CP

“ *Condolences to the whole family! Cherish those many fond memories!*

Cherise Patterson - June 06, 2022 at 01:11 PM



“ *69 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Silha Funeral Home - June 06, 2022 at 12:59 PM

NK

“ *NANCY KORB lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson*



NANCY KORB - June 05, 2022 at 06:34 PM

GE

“ Grace Koffler Evinrude lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson



Grace Koffler Evinrude - June 05, 2022 at 07:11 AM

DJ

“ Dixie Justice lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson



Dixie Justice - October 24, 2021 at 07:44 PM

PA

“ Loretta was an amazing lady I met her when she was friends with Ken Slagsvold what a gal she was ! loved her so. she was an amazing lady & friend to many many! god bless her & her family.



Pat - October 23, 2021 at 11:29 PM

BS

“ Bob & Kristie Stanhope lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson



Bob & Kristie Stanhope - October 22, 2021 at 09:26 PM

DB

“ Our condolences to the family and friends of Loretta Bertha McPerson at this difficult time.



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**Denise & Joe Borntreger** - October 21, 2021 at 03:38 PM

AA

“ One of those folks you love on sight! She always called me "sweetheart" and if I was close enough got a kiss on the cheek. God bless her memory among us. She rests in God's peace.

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**Avis Anderson** - October 21, 2021 at 03:31 PM

LO

“ I can't remember when I first met Loretta, but it was as if I was her forever friend - always a smile, friendly greeting and charming conversation. Such a lovely lady!

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**Linda O'Connor** - October 21, 2021 at 02:09 AM

PM

“ Loretta was such a kind, wonderful firecracker of a woman and a dear friend to my mom. She'll be sorely missed.  
*Peggy Parker Meidinger*

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**Peggy Meidinger** - October 21, 2021 at 12:13 AM

MY

“ *Mandi Yurkovich lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson*



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**Mandi Yurkovich** - October 20, 2021 at 08:08 PM

JG

“ *JEAN GROTBORG lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson*



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**JEAN GROTBORG** - October 20, 2021 at 08:02 PM

NS

“ *Norma Shearer lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson*



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**Norma Shearer** - October 20, 2021 at 06:55 PM

BD

“ *Betty Lou Dekaye lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson*



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**Betty Lou Dekaye** - October 20, 2021 at 05:15 PM

JB

“ *Janette Bogar lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson*



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**Janette bogar** - October 20, 2021 at 04:45 PM

KS

“ *Karen Schock lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson*



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**Karen Schock** - October 19, 2021 at 11:29 AM

JM

“ *Jodi McPherson lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson*



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**Jodi McPherson** - October 18, 2021 at 12:00 PM

GE

“ *Grace Koffler Evinrude lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson*



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**Grace Koffler Evinrude** - October 18, 2021 at 10:45 AM

LS

“ *LaNette Simonton lit a candle in memory of Loretta Bertha McPherson*



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**LaNette Simonton** - October 18, 2021 at 08:28 AM

NK

“ *Sorry to hear of your loss. Your in my thoughts.*



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**NANCY KORB** - October 17, 2021 at 05:22 PM

SC

“ *JoAnn and Tom, so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. She always loved to visit when I would see her. Take care and cherish your memories. Hugs my friend!*

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**Sherry Corneliusen** - October 16, 2021 at 11:37 PM

BT

“ *Loretta's family I'm so sorry for your loss! I worked with Loretta at Eastmont always with a smile on her face!  
Cherish your Memories and Hold them Close!  
RIP Loretta  
Becky (Chouinard)Tipton*

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**Becky Tipton** - October 15, 2021 at 06:44 PM