



Lucille Genevieve Atwell

July 22, 1921 - June 12, 2015

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L. Genevieve Atwell, age 93, of Glendive, Montana, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday, June 12, 2015 at her home in Glendive with her family by her side. Visitation will be held from 10:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. A Vigil/Rosary Service will be held at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive with Father Joseph Ponessa, S.S.D. officiating and Father Basil Atwell, OSB and Father Francis Schreiber, Pastor of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church concelebrating. Rite of Committal will be held in the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Glendive. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Lucille Genevieve "Gene" Russell was born into a Roman Catholic family in Savage, Montana, on July 22, 1921, the second daughter of Granville Alexander and Cordelia Alexandria (Bouchard) Russell. She moved to Glendive at an early age when her father began work at the Northern Pacific Railroad.

In 1926, her parents traded their new Glendive home, hand-built by her father, for an existing dairy located on the east side of town (which included what is presently known as Windham Hills). Genevieve was raised as a hard-working “Russell Girl” on what became known as the Russell Jersey Dairy, along with her sisters, Marie, Rosemary, Elizabeth and brother, Arthur, who died at a young age.

Genevieve received her elementary education at Lincoln and Washington schools and graduated from Dawson County High School with the class of 1940. Genevieve worked for the Northern Pacific Beanery and Consolidated Freightways. She moved to Seattle WA after graduation.

While in Seattle, she worked for F. W. Woolworth Co., where she met and married the love of her life, John Walter Atwell, on April 25, 1942. Genevieve and John were married only six months when John was drafted and deployed to the European Theater during WWII. Soon after, Genevieve moved back to Glendive to be close to family while she awaited John’s return. After John's return, they made Glendive their home.

Seven children were born to this union: Michael John, Patrick John, Michael James, Edwina Jean, Russell Justin, John Joseph, and Melody Jane.

Genevieve was a dedicated wife, mother, aunt, grandmother, great-grandmother, caregiver, and friend. She loved her role as homemaker, sewing her children's clothing. She enjoyed crocheting and crafts. She loved to cook her large family meals, enjoyed family gatherings, and kept track of family history. Every member of her family was precious to her.

Her role as caregiver extended well beyond family; she had a generous heart. Her good works were a testament to her strong Catholic faith. Genevieve had a tremendous devotion to Our Lord Jesus Christ. The Catholic Church,

especially her devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary, and the Holy Rosary were a great part of her life from childhood. She maintained a devotion to the most Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Solemnity upon which she went to meet her Lord.

Genevieve was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Arthur; infant son, Michael John; her beloved husband, John; sister, Marie Schloss; son, Michael James; and, many other family members.

Genevieve is survived by her children: Patrick John (Patricia Flynn), Edwina Jean (Leon) Boyles, Russell Justin (Traci Parnell and her children: Tabitha Alcorn, Jake Alcorn, Tawnia Hauser, and Chance Hauser), Father Basil, OSB/John Joseph, and Melody Jane (John) Schreiber; grandchildren and great-grandchildren: Lee and Kayla [Kage and Haidyn] Boyles of Little Falls MN; Eric and Kara [Bridger] Boyles of Spokane WA; Lisa (Atwell) and Jason [Hudsyn] Bunn of Glendive; Erin (Atwell) and Jamie [Patrick] Good of Bismarck ND; John and Danielle [Sierra, Faith, Alexis, John and Destiny] Atwell of Sheridan WY; Justin Atwell of Fargo ND; Derek Atwell of Glendive; Jennifer (Schreiber) and Chris [Zachary] Vojacek of Savage MT; Christopher Schreiber of Glendive; Brittany (Schreiber) and Sam [Madison, Morgan, and Matthew] Persons of Glendive; and Alexander Schreiber of Billings MT; sisters, Rosemary Olson of Bismarck ND; and, Elizabeth Kaufman of Missoula MT; 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

JUN 16. 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Home
221 North Meade Avenue
Glendive, MT 59330

Vigil Service

JUN 16. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lucille Genevieve Atwell*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. I adored this lady and feel blessed for having known her.*

Marti Peterson - June 21, 2015 at 12:42 PM



“ *Heather Frank lit a candle in memory of Lucille Genevieve Atwell*



Heather Frank - June 17, 2015 at 12:09 PM



“ *Denise Stoddart lit a candle in memory of Lucille Genevieve Atwell*



Denise Stoddart - June 17, 2015 at 10:45 AM

GG

“ George & Donna St. George purchased the Spring Has Sprung Mixed Basket for the family of Lucille Genevieve Atwell.



George & Donna St. George - June 17, 2015 at 10:12 AM

Lynn
Laundreaux

“ Lynn Laundreaux lit a candle in memory of Lucille Genevieve Atwell



Lynn Laundreaux - June 17, 2015 at 08:27 AM

KS

“ Karen Schock lit a candle in memory of Lucille Genevieve Atwell



Karen Schock - June 16, 2015 at 03:30 PM

DP

“ We wish to extend our heartfelt condolences to the Atwell families, I only met your mother one time, but you just knew she was a wonderful person with lots of love in her heart. The memories of your her will keep her close to you and she will never be far away. With deepest sympathy Jim and Dorothy Billings, Mt.

Dorothy Parnell - June 16, 2015 at 11:13 AM

CR

“ Carol Robinson purchased the Fruits and Blooms Basket for the family of Lucille Genevieve Atwell.



Carol Robinson - June 16, 2015 at 09:58 AM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Lucille Genevieve Atwell.



June 16, 2015 at 12:49 AM

MH

“ I pray for your family at this time. Lee and Kayla I am especially thinking of you.
Mona D. Humphrey



Mona D. Humphrey - June 15, 2015 at 05:42 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Lucille Genevieve Atwell.



June 15, 2015 at 12:18 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Lucille Genevieve Atwell.*



June 15, 2015 at 10:17 AM



“ *My condolences to the Atwell family on your loss of your mother. May her memory live in your hearts. Laura Grzanic Belfield, ND*

Laura Grzanic - June 15, 2015 at 09:48 AM



“ *To the Atwell Family We all have lost a dear wonderful friend. Every time my family or I visited Glendive she was one lady we had to visit. She was always so happy and cheerful with the time we spent with her, even when she was so sick. When it was time to end our visit, she always gave us a hug and said I'll always remember you in my prayers. Now that she is with God I'm sure she will still pray for us. I know God has greeted her with arms wide open and will give her rewards in Heaven for all eternity.*
Gary & Mary Taylor
Sylmar. CA.

Gary & Mary Taylor Sylmar , CA - June 15, 2015 at 12:14 AM



“ *Bradlee sent a virtual gift in memory of Lucille Genevieve Atwell*



Bradlee - June 13, 2015 at 08:23 PM

MS

“ Michele Shepherd sent a virtual gift in memory of Lucille Genevieve Atwell



Michele Shepherd - June 13, 2015 at 07:34 PM

MS

“ Mark And Michele Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Lucille Genevieve Atwell



Mark and Michele Shepherd - June 13, 2015 at 07:29 PM

JL

“ Janette & Frank Legato lit a candle in memory of Lucille Genevieve Atwell



Janette & Frank Legato - June 13, 2015 at 07:20 PM

GM

“ To the Atwell Family, We are so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. What a faithful servant of God she was. We keep you all in our thoughts and prayers as you lay her to her well deserved rest. Fly with the Angels! Sincerely, Gene & Leslie Micheletto

Gene & Leslie Micheletto - June 13, 2015 at 04:39 PM

KG

“ Pat and Patty, and all the Atwell families,
Sorry for your loss, thinking of you.

Ken Gilbertson - June 13, 2015 at 12:03 PM

LT

“ Les And Gina Tipton lit a candle in memory of
Lucille Genevieve Atwell



Les and Gina Tipton - June 13, 2015 at 12:16 AM

JG

“ Genevieve was one of the most special people I have ever been
blessed to meet. She had kind words and stories for everyone she
talked to. I greatly enjoyed taking care of her while she was in the
hospital. I always left her room with a joyful heart and a smile on my
face. She will be greatly missed but God gained a beautiful Angel.

Jerry & Deb (bollwitt) Geiger - June 12, 2015 at 09:59 PM

JG

“ Jerry & Deb (bollwitt) Geiger lit a candle in
memory of Lucille Genevieve Atwell



Jerry & Deb (bollwitt) Geiger - June 12, 2015 at 09:50 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lucille Genevieve Atwell.*



June 12, 2015 at 09:05 PM



“ *Our condolences to all of you. She was a wonderful lady. Peace be with all of you knowing she is now with her Lord and saviour.*

Dennis Cindi Byron - June 12, 2015 at 08:57 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lucille Genevieve Atwell.*



June 12, 2015 at 07:42 PM



“ *Jim And Donna Stanfill lit a candle in memory of Lucille Genevieve Atwell*



Jim and Donna Stanfill - June 12, 2015 at 06:31 PM