



Margaret Barbara Chrest

June 8, 1915 - August 15, 2014

Margaret Barbara Chrest, age 99, of Glendive, Montana, passed away on Friday, August 15, 2014 at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive.

Cremation has taken place and a private family memorial service will be held on a later date at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Interment will be held in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Margaret was born on June 8, 1915, in Glendive, the daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Baumkirsch) Rettinger. On October 23, 1918, both of Margaret's parents died during the flu epidemic. When she was four years old, she was adopted by Vernie and Lena Jones. Margaret lived on the family farm and attended school at Belle Prairie Country School and Dawson County High School in Glendive. On February 17, 1934, Margaret was united in marriage to Russel Chrest in Miles City, Montana and to this union seven children were born.

Margaret was employed by the Burlington Northern Hospital for nineteen and a half years. She was then hired at Eastmont Training Center on the habilitation side and retired after ten years of employment with the facility on March 7, 1970. She had worked with over 200 students.

Margaret's greatest joys were her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was loving, thoughtful, and caring and will always be remembered for her never ending love for them. Margaret especially enjoyed all the trips that she took with her children, time spent staying at their homes,

and all the holidays and family gatherings. Margaret was affectionately called "Maggie" or "Mom" by a number of the kids that were constantly at her house while her children were growing up. If there are angels on Earth, she surely was one. She will be deeply missed, but her spirit will live on in the hearts and minds of those who knew and loved her.

Margaret was preceded in death by her parents; husband; two sisters, Barbara Babb and Anna Wuertz.

Margaret is survived by her children, Richard (Kathryn) Of Missoula, Montana, Vernon (Deanna) of Minot, North Dakota, Howard (Irene) of Sheridan, Montana, Coleen Chrest of Miles City, Kathleen (Wayne) Blank of Sheridan, Wyoming, Kenneth (Helen) of Helena, Montana, and Mae (Clyde) Miller of Glendive; one brother Verle (Pat) Jones of Glendive; sixteen grandchildren; twenty-eight great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the charity of one's choice.

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

Tribute Wall



“ Margaret Barbara Chrest

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ Mae, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Loretta Hodous - August 19, 2014 at 10:29 AM



“ Shirley Wolff lit a candle in memory of Margaret Barbara Chrest



Shirley Wolff - August 18, 2014 at 10:08 AM



“ Dennis Cindi Byron lit a candle in memory of Margaret Barbara Chrest



Dennis Cindi Byron - August 17, 2014 at 04:07 PM

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“ *Janette Legato lit a candle in memory of Margaret Barbara Chrest*



Janette Legato - August 16, 2014 at 02:24 PM

GK

“ *I was saddened to hear that Margaret had passed away. She was a very wonderful lady. I remember when i used to go over to her house to do her hair, she was always so happy & funny that i enjoyed being there. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.*

Gwen Geiger Kurtz - August 15, 2014 at 09:33 PM