



Santa Eve Whitmer Hrubes

July 13, 1925 - July 25, 2005

A very special and unique lady, Santa Eve Whitmer Hrubes, left this earth on July 20, 2005 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Visitation will be on Sunday, July 24, 2005 from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. in the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive on Monday, July 25, 2005 one hour prior to service time at the Church of Jesus Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Glendive. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 P.M., Monday, July 25, 2005 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Glendive with Cashe Burrows officiating. Interment will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements. Santa was born on July 13, 1925 in Glendive, Montana, the 11th child of Samuel and Clara (Hulvey) Whitmer. She attended grade school in Bloomfield, Montana and graduated from Dawson County High School in Glendive. She then moved to Billings and graduated from the Billings Business College. That summer she worked as a secretary for Equitable Life Assurance. She then accepted a position as the commercial teacher in the Circle High School. She taught there for one year. She faithfully wrote to and waited for the love of her life, John T. Hrubes, while he fought overseas in World War II. After he returned home they were united in marriage on November 3, 1947 in Glendive. They purchased a farm near Bloomfield and lived there until 1998. Their four children grew up on the farm. They built a house in Bloomfield so the children could attend grade school during the winter months. Twenty two exchange students and several

disadvantaged children had the privilege of living in the Hrubes household over the years, learning of the honor of work, responsibility and spirituality. Many of them have kept in touch with her over the years. In later years John and Santa lived in Miles City and Glendive. She helped to organize and lead three 4-H Clubs in the Bloomfield area - the Prairie Homesteaders, the Richey Royal Rockets and the Bloomfield Busy Builders. She loved remembering all the children and their projects. Santa was known for her excellent cooking and baking ability. Nobody went away from her house hungry. Her grandchildren loved helping her make donuts, cupcakes and candy. Besides feeding people, she loved gardening and quilting. Her storage room was always full of canned goods for the winter from her large garden. She made a special quilt for each of her 18 grandchildren. She was very active in her church and loved the gospel of Jesus Christ. She was a Visiting Teacher for 40 years, taught adult Sunday School for five years, taught the Merrie Miss class for 10 years, taught Seminary to many teenagers for 10 years, and was a Stake Missionary for four years. She loved being the cook at the church Girl's Camp. One of her greatest talents was her ability to fearlessly spread the gospel of the restoration of the true church and the love of our Heavenly Father for each of us. Santa is preceded in death by her parents; seven brothers, McKinley, Boone, Tom, Ted, Kermit, Derby and Ras; and one sister, Sylvia Nelson. Santa is survived by her husband, John, of Miles City; three sons, Arlan and his wife Terry of Miles City, Dave and his wife Jan of Richey, and Brad and his wife Jerri of Miles City; one daughter, Leta Clayton and her husband Dwight of Glendive; her brother, Jeff Whitmer and his wife Dixie of Bloomfield, Montana; her sister, Roxie Karls of Billings; sisters-in-law, Marilee Whitmer of Miles City and Montana Whitmer of Colorado; 18 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Her family is grateful they were able to have her 80th birthday party this month with so many of her friends and relatives attending. She said she had never had such a wonderful party. We know she is where she wants to be, but we will miss her strong testimony, her knowledge, her advice, and her one of a kind personality.

Tribute Wall



“ *Santa Eve Whitmer Hrubes*

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