

Phillis Fern Seaman

Phillis Fern Lambert Seaman was born to William Lambert and Vera (Schnee) Lambert on March 12, 1932, in Ekalaka, MT, the fourth of six children.

Phillis was a talented artist, co-founder and president of the Black Hills Art Association. She has

paintings located throughout the U.S. and overseas, including at the Campgrounds of America (KOA) headquarters in Billings, MT, and the Buffalo Museum of America, Scottsdale, AZ. She was commissioned by the Tri-State Bank in Belle Fourche to paint a wall sized mural depicting the history of the tri-state area, she also painted a children's mural for the Social Services office in Sturgis.

Phillis married Donald Seaman in 1948 in Miles City, MT, and shortly thereafter they moved to Newell, SD, where they operated a gas station and garage. Together, they also purchased and operated a small farm where they raised their five sons; Dan, Timm, Jerry, Randy, and Tom, and where Phillis had an art studio for many years. After Don's retirement from the U.S. Postal Service in 1988, they moved to Spearfish where she continued to paint. She was a member of Weaver Art Gallery in Sturgis, the Sheep Growers Association, Butte County Fair Board, taught art classes throughout the rural area, and was a member of the Newell Museum Board of Directors.

Phillis, 82, Spearfish, passed away, Sunday, August 31, 2014, at the David M. Dorsett Health Care Center in Spearfish.

Phillis is survived by her husband, Donald, Spearfish; five sons, Dan Seaman, Spearfish, Timm (Sharon) Seaman, Hot Springs, VA, Jerry (Dixie) Seaman, Newell, Randy (Pam) Seaman, Tow, TX, and Tom (Karen) Seaman, Newell; 9 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Lois Engel; and four brothers, Everett, Billy, Norman, and Laurence Lambert.

In lieu of flowers the family would like donations to the Newell Christian Fellowship Church or the Black Hills Art Association.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch at the NVN Senior Center Immediately following the funeral service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*

In Loving Memory Of



Phillis Fern Seaman

1932 ~ 2014

The Prairie and Hills at the center of this great Nation hold an independent charm and beauty all their own that cannot be fully portrayed by any mortal artist.

The prairie is vast, lonely, and harsh, with a soul of its own. The movement and beauty grabs at its inhabitants, all the while tossing them this way and that, possibly throwing them to the ground, but still they get up, love, live and thrive in its bounty.

The Hills are encompassing. They seem to cradle and protect, giving more generously of the natural elements so vital to life (water, shade, shelter) as well as its variety of compelling beauty and monumental presences.

As a "Western Country" artist I try to portray these strong feelings for the land and its people. Many of these works are being temporarily reserved for a slowly accumulating show of Rural America. I hope you enjoy the thoughts within them.



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Born

March 12, 1932
Ekalaka, Montana

Died

August 31, 2014
Spearfish, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Thursday, September 4, 2014, at 10:30 a.m.
Newell Christian Fellowship Church

Officiating

Pastor Sean Carney

Accompanist

Annitta Stolnack

Singers

Pastor Sean and Jani Carney

Musical Selections

"Just A Closer Walk With Thee"
"The Old Rugged Cross"
"Mother's Birthday"
"Amazing Grace"

Pallbearers

Stuart Martin ~ Cory Seaman ~ JC Seaman
Cody Steiner ~ Billy Ray Lambert ~ Trenton Multz

Honorary Pallbearer

Tomy Seaman

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota