For Those I Love, For Those Who Love Me...

When I am gone, release me, let me go -
I have so many things to say and do,
You musn't tie yourself to me with tears.
Be happy that we had so many years.
I gave you my love you can only guess,
How much you gave me in happiness.
I thank you for the love you each have shown.
But now it's time I traveled on alone.
So grieve awhile for me if you must
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for awhile that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart.
I won't be far away, for life goes on
So if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near -
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear
All my love around you soft and clear.
And then, when you must come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile, and "Welcome Home."

In Loving Memory of

Marcia Elaine Peterson

May 4, 1953 ~ January 29, 2023

Wake Services
Lower Brule Community Center
Lower Brule, SD
7:00 p.m., Friday, February 3, 2023

Funeral Service
Lower Brule Community Center
Lower Brule, SD
10:00 a.m. February 4, 2023

Officiating
Shirley Crane
Heather Collins

Casketbearers
Darrin Peterson
Garret Peterson
Trenton Peterson
Robert Traversie
Jerome Jandreau
Farrell McBride

Interment
Fort George Catholic Cemetery
Fort George, SD

The Golden Buffalo Casino will be providing a meal after the funeral service at the LBST Community Center.

***Arrangements By**: Hickey Funeral Home, Chamberlain, SD*

Marcia Elaine Peterson was born on May 4, 1953 to Lyle and Leola (Schaefer) Peterson in Chamberlain, SD. She passed away in Sioux Falls, SD on January 29, 2023.

Marcia attended grade school in Lower Brule and high school in Reliance, but she graduated from Alliance, NE high school in 1970. After spending time in California, she attended nursing school in Alliance, NE and obtained her LPN license. She worked in private care and nursing homes for a few years. After her son, Darrin, was born in 1975, she lived in Lower Brule and eventually moved to Kennebec. She fostered children for a couple of years and felt like they were her own kid and formed many lifelong relationships with them. When the Lower Brule Golden Buffalo Casino opened, she started working there. She was the cook/supervisor and retired in 2022 after many years.

Marcia was well known for many things. She made hundreds of decorated cakes for special occasions. She made it a point to deliver goodies to the elderly in Lower Brule which usually contained her signature caramel puff corn and banana breads. Marcia would also make sure to deliver fresh sweet corn and vegetables to those who could not get out due to health reasons. She never forgot a face and would always say hello and visit. Marcia never forgot a birthday. She always made a point to call family and friends and sing “Happy Birthday” to them. Her family celebrated each week with a family meal that often included close friends.

After her father got ill, she started staying at the Peterson Ranch helping take care of him and continued to live there until her passing. Marcia took pride in keeping the cattle records up to date and giving vaccinations at the brandings. Her family thinks she had a name for each cow and could tell you their lineage back to the 1960’s.

Marcia liked to play cards, gambling, cooking, crocheting and doing word search puzzles. She made many afghans over the last couple years, gifting them to others. She was a proud member of the Legion Post 179 Auxiliary all her life and could be found handing out poppies and decorating cemeteries on Memorial Day. She played host to many nieces and nephews over the summers months and left them with a lifetime of memories they cherish.

Marcia is survived by her son Darrin Peterson, grandsons Garret and Trenton (Natasha) Peterson and great grandchildren Noah and Norah. She also considered Elaine Johnson Olson as her daughter. She is also survived by her siblings Cheryl (Pat) Quick, Shirley (Roger) Horton, Carlton (Margot) Peterson, Karen (Richard) Quick, Becky (Edward) Cole, Peggy (Joe) Aguallo and Royal Peterson.

She was preceded in death by her parents Lyle & Leola Peterson, her sister Jeanne Quick, brother in law Ivan Quick and several nephews.

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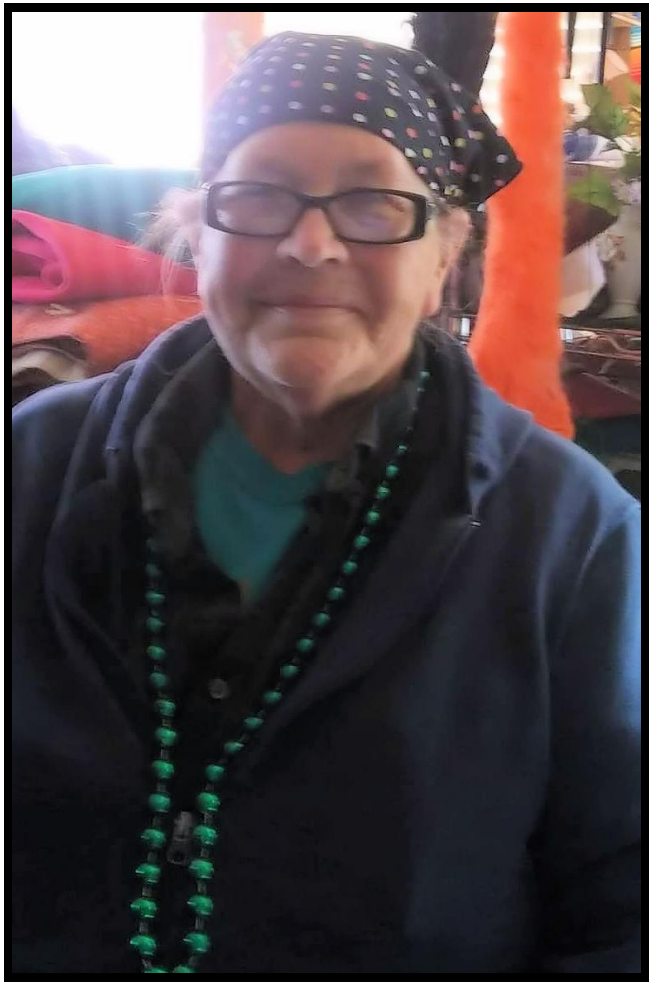

Marcia E. Peterson

1953 ~ 2023