



Mother's Touch

*There's magic in a mother's touch,
And sunshine in her smile
There's love in everything she does
To make our lives worthwhile
We can find both hope and courage
Just by looking in her eyes
Her laughter is a source of joy,
Her words are warm and wise
There is a kindness and compassion
To be found in her embrace
And we see the light of Heaven
Shining from a mother's face.*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Lois Margaret Helm

WHO WAS BORN

March 22, 1928
Crawford County, Iowa

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

November 12, 2025
Milbank, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Friday, November 21, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.
Living Word Lutheran Church
Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT

Pastor Melanie Reiners

MUSICIAN

Vicki Strege, Accompanist

CASKET BEARERS

Eric Shaeffer | Nathan Helm | Chris Fayville
Nick Fayville | Derek Trapp | Brandon Trapp

INTERMENT

Milbank City Cemetery
Milbank, South Dakota

APPRECIATION

Lois's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.
Following the graveside service, please join the family
for a luncheon in the church fellowship hall.

Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota

Lois Margret (Dorale) Helm was born on March 22, 1928, in Crawford County, IA, to Fred and Esther (Mueller) Dorale. She was baptized into the Lutheran Faith that same year. Lois was confirmed at St. Paul Lutheran Church in 1944. She attended elementary school in Iowa before moving to South Dakota, where she graduated from Milbank High School with the Class of 1946.

On February 14, 1949, Lois was united in marriage to Gordon “Jack” Helm. Together they were blessed with four children: Brad, Brenda, Cyndi, and Kyle.

Lois was a faithful member of Living Word Lutheran Church in Milbank, where she found great joy and community in her faith. She worked as an activity assistant at Whetstone Valley Nursing Home for 11 years. After retirement, Lois and her husband enjoyed 13 wonderful years together. She loved bowling, reading, playing cards, and was an avid sports fan.

She is survived by her children: Brad Helm of Brandon, SD; Cyndi Shaeffer of Saline, MI; and Kyle (Lori) Helm of Cleveland, ND; several grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and many great-great-grandchildren; along with many, many nieces and nephews.

Lois was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Jack; her daughter, Brenda Helm; grandson, Matthew Helm, and her parents: Fred and Esther Dorale, brother, Milfred Dorale; and sister, Carol Sethney.

Please use this QR code to view Lois's video tribute, obituary & online guestbook.

