

Clara Mae Selk



Clara Mae Selk was born July 28, 1933, in Kidney, Michigan to Fred and Martha (Mahoney) Smith. She attended school in Penny Pog, Michigan. While Clara was working in Bad Ax, Michigan, she met Henry Selk who was stationed in the U.S. Air Force at Port Austin, Michigan. They married May 4, 1953, in Kidney, Michigan. Shortly thereafter, Henry was stationed

on a radar site in Ontario, Canada, and Clara went back home to live with her folks for a year. They moved to Cedar Falls, Iowa, for several years before they were shipped by the Air Force to Skull Thorpe, England from 1957 to 1960. Upon their return they were stationed at Ellsworth Air Force Base for a year before Henry was discharged.

Clara Mae and Henry were baptized in March of 1962, symbolizing their dedication to Jehovah. In 1972, they were asked to go to Sturgis, SD, to help start a congregation there, where they have since continued to live.

Clara loved watching Wheel of Fortune, collecting things, (including beanie babies, rings, and small diecast VW bugs) and garage saleing (she was even nicknamed the Garage Sale Queen). Her favorite activity was spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved sitting and listening to Henry play his guitar and sing to her, especially if the song was, "I love You Because".

After declining health, Clara entered Sturgis Regional Senior Care in June of 2013. She passed away Thursday, January 7, 2016, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

She will be deeply missed and forever loved.

Those left to mourn her passing include her husband of 62 years, Henry; son, Steven (Sue) Selk of Ankeny, IA; daughters, Cindy Steele (Orville, deceased) of Black Hawk, SD, and Sharon (Jeff) Gartner, of Winona, MN; 4 grandchildren; 5 great grandchildren; her dear friend, Rita Gerard of Sturgis; and many other dear family members and friends.

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

The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch in the church hall following the committal service. We thank you for your presence and condolences.



In Loving Memory of

Clara Mae Selk

1933 ~ 2016



***This means everlasting life,
their coming to know you,
the only true God,
and the one whom you sent,
Jesus Christ.***

John 17:3

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Born

July 28, 1933
Kidney, Michigan

Died

January 7, 2016
Rapid City, South Dakota

Memorial Service

Sunday, January 10, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses
Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiating

Minister Norman Cox

Musical Selection

"This Is The Way"

Private Inurnment

Tuesday, January 12, 2016
Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiating

Minister Allen Bennett