



### **Footprints**

*One night I had a dream. I was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from my life. For each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand, one was mine, and the other was the LORD's. When the last scene of my life flashed before me, I looked back at the footprints in the sand, and, to my surprise, I noticed that many times along the path of my life there was only one set of footprints. I also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in my life. I asked the Lord about it: "LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you would walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why you left my side when I needed you most." The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you saw only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."*

# *In Loving Memory of* **Evalena D. "Queenie" Knock**

*December 2, 1937 – March 5, 2021*

### **Visitation**

*Kimball Protestant Parish  
Kimball, SD  
Friday, March 12, 2021  
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.*

### **Graveside Service**

*Kimball City Cemetery  
Kimball, SD  
Saturday, March 13, 2021  
11:00 a.m.*

### **Officiating**

*Rev. Derek Runge*

### **Casketbearers**

*Carl "Buddy" Knock  
Dylan Hagerty  
Jordan Knock  
Jeff Landhuis  
Brandon Hughes  
Donald Galpin*

### **Military Graveside Rites By**

*Drips American Legion Post No. 130  
Kimball, SD*

### **Interment**

*Kimball City Cemetery  
Kimball, SD*

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

Evalena D. Knock (Queenie), 83, passed away March 5, 2021 with hospice at Firesteel Healthcare Center in Mitchell, SD. She was surrounded by family.

Queenie was born December 2, 1937 in Ravenswood, WV to Levi Julius and Gladys Laverna (Nuzum) McQueen. She graduated from Parkersburg High School in Parkersburg, WV. In 1957, following her family's rich, deep heritage of military service tracing back to the Revolutionary War, she joined the US Air Force.

While stationed in the Air Force, Queenie met Vernon, an Air Force MP. A military wedding was held July 20, 1958 at Lowry's Air Force Base in Denver, CO. Their first son, Carl, was born July 20, 1959 with Bruce's birth following on April 20, 1962. As a family, they lived in Lennox, Salem and Mitchell, SD. In 1967 they moved to Kimball, SD wherein they established permanent residence.

Together Queenie and Vernon experienced a spiritual calling and began to foster children. Queenie cared for Carl and Bruce and numerous foster children for about 10 years before being blessed with the birth of their first daughter Karen in 1973, then Korén in 1974 and Kristy in 1977.

In 1976 Queenie entered the work force as a health aide for the Aurora Brule Nursing Home in White Lake, SD. She gave residents loving, compassionate care up until retirement in 1999.

Queenie was strong in her faith and was active with the Protestant Church. She often volunteered time helping to make quilts for donation and helping various community members in need. She also found great joy in gardening.

Queenie is survived by: Carl Knock (Deb Phyle) and his children with Marylce, Carl Steven (Buddy) Knock and Carmen (Jeff) Landhuis, Bruce (Tina) Knock, Karen Knock and children Dylan (Kylie) Hagerty and Alauna Hagerty, Korén Knock and children Jordan Knock and Brooke Hood, Kristy (Neil) Sabbah and children Jeanine, Dalaal, Ahlaam, Nada, foster son Dennis Wayne Onihan (Nita Yaz), many great grandchildren and numerous dear friends.

Preceding her in death were her husband Vernon in 2003, brothers John E. McQueen and Dewey McQueen and sister Betty Morlan.