

In Loving Memory of
Brenda Lee Estes
November 12, 1957 ~ March 31, 2021

*I will lift up mine eyes to the hills,
from whence cometh my help.
My help cometh from the Lord,
which made heaven and earth.
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved;
he that keepeth thee will not slumber
Behold, he that keepeth Israel
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is
thy shade upon thy right hand.
The sun shall not smite thee by
day, nor the moon by night.
The Lord shall preserve thee from
all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.
The Lord shall preserve thy going
out and thy coming in from this time
forth, and even for evermore.*

PSALM 121

Wake Services

*Lower Brule Community Center
Lower Brule, SD
8:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 6, 2021
8:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 7, 2021*

Funeral Service

*Lower Brule Community Center
Lower Brule, SD
1:00 p.m., Thursday, April 8, 2021*

Officiating

*Father David Hussey
Shirley Crane
Terry Quilt*

Casketbearers

*Duwayne Traversie
Cheyenne Ziegler
Zachery Ziegler
SonnyLane Ziegler
Jordan Pourier*

*Robbie Her Many Horses
Travis Ziegler
Shane Coleman
Derek Ziegler
Chris LaRoche*

Honorary Bearers

*All her many family and friends who love her
and whom she loved, too numerous to mention.*

Interment

*Messiah Episcopal Cemetery
Iron Nation, SD*

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

Brenda Lee (Ziegler) Estes was born on November 12, 1957 to Alfred and Gayle (Langdeau) Ziegler at Community Bailey Hospital in Chamberlain, SD.

Brenda attended grade school and high school at St. Mary's Episcopal School, finishing with her GED. Brenda later attended college at School of Mines and Nettleton College in Rapid City, SD.

In November 1973, Brenda united in marriage to Wayne "Amigo" Estes. To this union, four children were born: Laura Leah, Curtis Wayne, Jamie Young, and Glen Allen.

From an early age, Brenda had a passion for reading that instilled a depth of intellect and human compassion. Brenda loved to cook. Her cooking skills was a staple at home and in the community. Her delicious bread and other traditional foods filled many tables of baptismal, picnics, retirement parties, wakes and funerals.

Brenda had a generous heart who would help anyone in need, no matter what it was. She served in the Lord through her unique acts of kindness. Her grandchildren were the joy of her life. She loved spending time with her family.

Brenda worked numerous jobs throughout her life, as a dispatcher at the Lower Brule PD, cashier at Sioux Boys, bartender at Tuffys Bar and Grill, and finishing her career of 29 years with the government at the Lower Brule Indian Health Service. Throughout her career, Brenda wore many hats at IHS, from covering front desk, Medical Records, X-Ray, to acting CEO. She enjoyed her job working at IHS until retirement due to health issues.

Brenda journeyed into the spirit world on March 31, 2021 at Sanford Medical Center.

Brenda is survived by her mother; Gayle Ziegler; five sisters: Alfreda (Dave) Algeo, Lori Ziegler, Vicki Ziegler, Kathy Ziegler, and Nikki Ziegler; a brother Sonny (Claudia) Ziegler; and four children; Laura (Chris) LaRoche, Curtis (Kari) Estes, Jamie Estes, and Glen Estes; 11 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews whom she thought of as her own; two aunts: Marilyn Harmon and Phyllis Crazy Bull, along with numerous cousins. Brenda also raised Christian LaRoche and adopted Savannah Estes.

Brenda is preceded in death by her father: Alfred Ziegler, two sisters: Annette (Patrick) Big Eagle and Francis (Wilson) Hawthorn, a brother: Patrick Wilson, Godson: Leon Whitney, paternal grandparents: Elmer "Sonny" Ziegler and Laura (Johnson) Ziegler, and maternal grandparents: Harvey Langdeau Sr. and Aldena (Thompkins) Langdeau.

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