

In Loving Memory Muriel B. Clemes "Tutu"

Born to John & Marie Field
September 25, 1923
Overland, Saskatchewan Canada

Returned to Her Heavenly Father
August 25, 2020
Williston, North Dakota

Funeral Service

Saturday, August 29, 2020, 11:00 AM Gloria Dei Lutheran Church Williston North Dakota

Officiating

Pastor David Maxfield Pastor Steve Anderson

Music

"What A Day That Will Be"
"Precious Memories"
"Soon And Very Soon"

Special Music
"In The Garden Medley"

Vocalist
Linda Clemes

Accompanist
Sandi Blikre

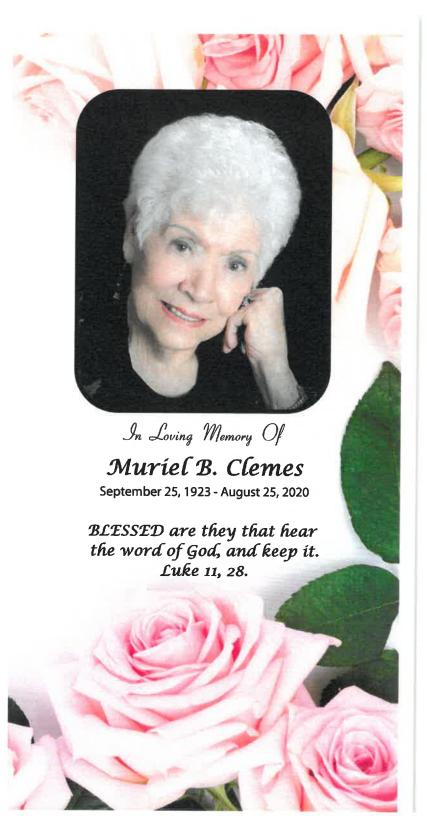
Honorary Pallbearers
All of Muriel's Family & Friends

Graveside Service

Monday, August 31, 2020, 2:00 PM Mountview Cemetery Billings, Montana

Officiating
Pastor Marty Mock

Arrangements By
Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home ~ Williston, ND





I am standing upon the seashore.

A ship, at my side, spreads her white sails to the moving breeze and starts for the blue ocean.

She is an object of beauty and strength.

I stand and watch her until, at length, she hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each other.

Then, someone at my side says, "There, she is gone!"

Gone where?

Gone from my sight. That is all.

She is just as large in mast, hull and spar as she was when she left my side. And, she is just as able to bear her load of living freight to her destined port.

Her diminished size is in me -- not in her.

And, just at the moment when someone says,

"There, she is gone!,"

there are other eyes watching her coming, and other voices ready to take up the glad shout, "Here she comes!"

And that is dying...

Henry Van Dyke

Muriel Burgith Field was born September 25, 1923 in the Overland District, rural Lake Alma, SK, Canada, the daughter of John and Marie (Hilde) Field. She was baptized and confirmed at the Overland Lutheran Church and attended rural school at the Overland School. As a young lady, she moved to Radville, SK to live with her older sister Ruth and worked at a Chinese Café. While working at the Café, Muriel met her future husband, Tom Clemes.

On September 1, 1943, they were united in marriage in Estevan, SK. Tom was attending Pharmacy College in Saskatoon, SK during World War II and joined the Canadian Army. While Tom was overseas, a daughter, Betty was born. Muriel and Betty stayed in Saskatoon until Tom returned from the service and finished his Pharmacy degree. The family moved to North Battleford, SK where Tom worked at a Drug Store. While in North Battleford, a second daughter, Wendy was born. The family immigrated to Plentywood, MT where Tom worked at Johnson Drug Store and they had their last child, Rick.

In 1958, Tom and Muriel purchased the Drug Store in Culbertson, MT. They worked side by side in the Drug Store and were very active in Culbertson community activities. Tom passed away in 1978 and Muriel moved to Billings, MT where she lived until 2010, when she moved to Williston, ND, to be closer to her son.

Muriel was very athletic. As a young girl, she enjoyed throwing horseshoes with the threshing crew after meals. While in Plentywood, she played softball with the Blue Moon Women's Team. While living in Culbertson and Billings, she enjoyed taking long walks. She was a very determined, independent woman that could organize and reorganize anything. She had a green thumb and took pride in her flower gardens and her yard. Muriel was a tremendous cook and baker, she enjoyed knitting and loved dancing. On a trip to Hawaii with a tour group, Muriel learned that Tutu was Hawaiian for Grandma and she adopted that name for herself. All the grandkids, great-grandkids and their friends called her Tutu.

She was a member of the Women's Club and United Methodist Church in Culbertson. In Billings, she volunteered with the Blue Blazers of the Chamber of Commerce, the local hospice and the Ronald McDonald House. She was a member of the Grace Methodist Church in Billings.

Muriel is survived by her daughter, Betty Mothershead of rural Laurel, MT; son, Rick (Linda) Clemes of Williston, ND; eight grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; sister, Marlys (Jack) Hooper of California; sisters-in law, Iris Field of rural Radville, SK, Avis Field of Weyburn, SK; numerous nieces and nephews; great-nieces and great-nephews.

