



Arliss Johnson

May 25, 1932 - March 25, 2010

Arliss Johnson, died Friday morning, March 25, 2011 at the Lennox Good Samaritan Center following a short illness. Arliss Elaine Fees was born on a farm near Dante, South Dakota on May 25, 1932, the daughter of O.D. and Marian (Oliver) Fees. She grew up in the Dante/Avon area and graduated from Avon High School. She received her degree as a Registered Nurse from Sacred Heart School of Nursing and then went on to receive her Bachelor of Science Degree at Mount Marty Collage in Yankton. On January 6, 1956 Arliss was united in marriage to Chester R. Johnson at Avon. They farmed for a short time near Avon and then moved to Yankton where she was Health Nurse at Mount Marty College for nearly 40 years, retiring in 2003. She and her husband then moved to Canton where they lived until his death of on September 18, 2007. She then moved to the Inn on Westport in Sioux Falls in May of 2008. In May of 2010 she became a resident of Lennox Good Samaritan Center. Arliss was a member of First Baptist Church in Canton. She loved music and was a pianist and organist at church. She also played the accordion and enjoyed going to the theatre. She loved animals, especially her cats and also, Finn, the dog at the Good Samaritan Center. Besides her parents and her husband, Chester, she was preceded in death by three brothers: Robert, Chester and Virgil Fees; three sisters: Odessa Sattler, Lucille Sattler and Virginia Fees. Grateful for having shared her life are her daughter and son-in-law: Denise and Jon Hanson of Worthing, SD; her foster-daughter: JoAnn Steffen of Colorado Springs, CO; three grandchildren: Jenae

Pitts of Colorado Springs and Jordyn and Lauren Hanson of Worthing and one brother: Clayton Fees of Wendell, Idaho; plus other relatives and friends. .
Services will begin 10:30 a.m. Monday, Mar. 28 at Dindot-Klusmann Chapel, Lennox with burial to follow at the Trinity Presbyterian Cemetery, Avon.
Visitation will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday at Dindot-Klusmann with the family present for 2 to 4 p.m.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My sincere sympathy to the entire family. Mrs. Johnson took good care of all the students at Mount Marty College including myself when a student there. She always made you feel better and took the time to care and to make sure you were on the mend. God Bless her memory. KK*

Kevin Kennedy - March 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I have fond memories of the wonderful nurse at MMC! When my roommate fell and dislocated her shoulder, she was so kind and helpful. I am sorry to hear of her passing, but know that God has prepared a place for her.*

Paula Jensen - March 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM