



Delores Bunjer

November 5, 1934 - March 9, 2011

Delores Bunjer, 76, went to heaven Wednesday morning March 9, 2011 at Sanford USD Medical Center, Sioux Falls, South Dakota surrounded by her family. Delores Faye Siepkes was born November 5, 1934 on a farm near Lennox, South Dakota, the daughter of Louis H. and Helen (Murra) Siepkes. She grew up in Lennox, attending Sunnyside rural school, and graduating from Lennox High School in 1952. She then worked at the Minnehaha County Court House. On February 5, 1955, Delores was united in marriage to Ray Bunjer at Delaware Reformed Church, rural Lennox. The couple made their home on a farm north of Lennox, where they lived their entire married life. In addition to helping Ray farm, Delores worked at the Lennox Senior Citizens Center as the Nutrition Site Manager for the next 27 years, until retiring in 2007. Delores was an active and faithful member of Lennox Ebenezer Presbyterian Church, where she held several offices in the Women in the Church, taught Sunday School, and directed the choir. She was an accomplished musician and played the piano and organ for church and for countless weddings and funerals. In addition she accompanied quartets and other musical groups. Her greatest joy came from being involved in the lives of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by two granddaughters: Megan and Melissa Ketcham, and two great-grandchildren: Kaden Thoreson and Skuyler Dumdei. Grateful for having shared her life are her husband Ray; six children: Larry (Lori) Bunjer, Lennox, Sharen Bunjer, Lennox, Diane (Joel) Begeman, Lennox,

Carla (Roland) Krumbach, Hartford, Lori (Brad) Atkins, Tea, and Lisa (Bruce) Shay, Lennox; 16 grandchildren: Elizabeth (Mike) Thompson, Michelle (Derek) Lee, Mitchell Ketcham, MeLeah (Kris) Thoreson, Mallory Ketcham (Nathan Peterson), Jeremy (Amanda) Begeman, Jenni (Matt) Bauer, Jodi (Tommy) DeHaven, Miles Krumbach, Emily Krumbach, Ganeene (Brian) Dumdei, Joshua Atkins, Rachel (Ben) Smeland, Nickolas Wolthuis, Jessica Wolthuis, Christopher Wolthuis; two step-grandchildren: Teresa Fluery and Tyler Shay; 14 great-grandchildren: Emersen Lee, Harper Lee, Klayten Thoreson, Jack Begeman, Jonah Begeman, Jered Begeman, Jaycee Bauer, Striker DeHaven, Kenzie DeHaven, Max DeHaven, Kooper Dumdei, Casey Smeland, Kameron Reddick, Elex Wilkinson; two step-great-grandchildren: Tanner Frank and Jazzmine Shay; one sister-in-law Joyce Bunjer, Omaha, NE, as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and a host of friends. Services will begin at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Mar. 12 at Lennox Ebenezer Presbyterian Church with burial to follow in the Lennox Cemetery. Visitation will begin at noon Friday at Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home, Lennox with the family present from 7 to 8 p.m.

Tribute Wall

DS

“ *Larry, Lori, Sharon and Bunjer family,*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you in the loss of your mom. I know she was so special to all of you.

I remember her music at church and how proud she was of all of you in your musical skills. I'm sure that love for music has been passed on to the grandchildren.

God bless all of you.

Gary & Deb (Christner) Sieverding

Deb Sieverding - March 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *Kris and Meleah - My heart breaks for you today. March 9, 2006 Kris lost his grandma and March 9, 2011 Meleah lost her grandma. I remember when you were dating and Kris would come home I would ask what you did and he would say you were at grandma and grandpa Bunjers. It takes someone special to be the date location for teenagers. Delores was a wonderful lady and will be missed by all. May God give you comfort as you remember the great times with her.*

Kathy - March 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *Bunjer Family: I am very sorry for the loss of a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, great grand mother and friend! You are all in my thoughts and prayers!*

"When you are sorrowful look again in your heart, and you shall see that in truth you are weeping for that which has been your delight. "

~Kahlil Gibran

Kasey Matzen

Kasey Matzen - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KZ

“ *To Carla, Roland and Family,
We wish to extend our deepest sympathies to you at the loss of your mother and grandmother. We know that the sorrows are great now but that in time loving memories do abound to heal the heart. Keeping you in our prayers.*

Eldora, Karla, Lisa and Christopher

Karla Zea - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Ray & family, My thoughts and prayers are with you. She will be greatly missed, but she is rejoycing in Heaven.*

Mary Goeman Martineau - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VL

“ *Our deepest prayers and smypathy to the family. What a great lady!!!! Arlo and Vonnie*

Vonnie Larson - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NP

“ My deepest sympathies to all of the Bunjer family! Delores was such a special lady to so many people, the Nowak family included! I would talk about both Ray & Delores as kind of like my other Nowak Grandparents...along with the Johnkes. I fondly remember Saturday night gatherings with my Grandpa & Grandma Nowak, the Johnke's and the Bunjers!!! Hold tight to your precious memories! I can just imagine the party Grandpa George, Wendel & Delores, and now Delores are having in Heaven!

Hugs

Mike & Nikki (DeCou) Paetow and family

Nicole Paetow - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Mallory and her family, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. If there is anything we can do for you just give us a call. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Lisa Shatter and Family - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ My thoughts and prayers go out the the Bunjer family.

Dawn (Winesburg) Fredin - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. So sorry for your loss.

Tony Waterman - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Our sympathies to Ray and the family. Our prayers are with you.
Steve & ruth

Steve and Ruth Anderson - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Larry & Lori...I am so sorry for your loss, but know that Delores is rejoicing in heaven! It is still very hard to lose those we love. Delores was always so happy and upbeat and cheerful. I think back to highschool days and remember her smiling face when we were all together. My love & hugs... Susan

Susan Wiebesiek - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ Larry & Lori, So sorry to hear about your loss. Your mom is now your special angel watching over you. Cherish your memories!

Michele Eichacker - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ I am saddened to hear about Delores passing. I have such great memories of her as she directed us when we were kids in the choir. My prayers and thoughts are with your family.
Denise

Denise Peterson - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Delores was a very special lady. Got to know her well as my accompanist while leading the junior choir at Ebenzer. Our regards to the Bunjer family and we will keep you in our prayers. Sharen and Dewayne Redfield

Sharen Redfield - March 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Delores Bunjer was one special lady. My prayers go to her wonderful family.

John Mogen - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *My sincere and greatest sympathy to all the Delores family. I enjoyed the visits with her and she was always so nice to me. It was a honor to see her. May God Bless you all.*

Kindest regards

Brian Lind

Brian Lind - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM