



Glenelle Christensen

March 17, 1935 - September 26, 2020

Glenelle Christensen, 85, of Sioux Falls, SD, died Saturday, September 26, 2020 at the Avera McKennan Hospital, Sioux Falls, SD.

Glenelle Lou Coy was born on March 17, 1935 at Lennox, SD to Glenn and Ella (Bultena) Coy.

She was married to Robert D. Christensen on December 30, 1955. They lived in Lennox until 1977, when they moved to Sioux Falls, SD. Favorite times for them was spent vacationing with and spending time with their grandchildren.

She was a graduate of Lennox High School and received a teaching certificate from Northern State College in Aberdeen, SD. She taught rural school in Lincoln and Minnehaha County for five years. She was employed by the South Dakota Service to the Visually Impaired, where she and Bob took a special interest in the blind youth and entertained them often in their home.

She was also employed as a clerk in the Sioux Falls Post Office.

Glenelle was an accomplished knitter, having also given knitting instructions.

She knit many coats, jackets and baby buntings. She also enjoyed cake decorating and made several wedding cakes. Bob and Glenelle had a Plastercraft Shop for several years, where she taught plaster painting.

Special love and joy in Bob and Glenelle's life were their grandchildren. They considered it a privilege to be grandparents of Whitney and Carter, In 2013 Whitney was married to Brandon and Glenelle happily welcomed him as a second grandson.

Glenelle was a member of Ransom Church in later years, having been

encouraged to attend by her granddaughter. The church services there were very special to her.

Genelle always valued the many friends who remained so faithful in helping her with the loss of Bob.

Surviving are two sons: Robert Christensen, Jr. (Lisa) of Albany, OR and Paul Christensen of Houston, TX; two grandchildren, Paul's children, Whitney (Brandon Garner), Des Moines, IA and Carter Christensen of Washington, DC; two great-grandchildren: August Robert and June Rose Garner.

Preceding her in death were her beloved husband and best friend, Bob on October 6, 2001, her parents and a sister, GlenEllen in infancy.

Private family graveside services were held with burial at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Sioux Falls, SD.

Tribute Wall

TC

“ I am heartbroken. I did not know you had passed. I am so sorry to have lost touch with you during the time of the cochlear implant and our moves to different states. I thought for sure I hadn't heard your voice or shared your big spirit and sense of humor for the last time. I wish you peace. You are thought of often, and fondly.

Toni Coy-Price - April 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ What a great neighbor.

Linda - October 20, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Bob & Glenelle were such wonderful neighbors on Fireside Ave. they were so supportive of young families with children- our boys, Grant & Garrett still remember her wonderful baked goodies! Sympathy to your family.

Donna & Dick Wilson - October 04, 2020 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *This is such sad news! My sympathy to her sons and their families. Glenelle was a special friend of my mother's, Lila Tiede. I've thought of her so many times and have tried to look her up with no luck of finding her! She will be missed by many. What a lady! All the ideas she gave my mom. Everything Glenelle did my mom had to do it too! I'm looking at a photo I keep on my office wall, it was Mom & Dad and me taken in front of Bob and Glenelle's fireplace. The four of them had the best visits. I hope they are reunited in heaven, mom and Glenelle talking about plastercraft and Bob and Dad telling jokes and laughing like crazy!
Rest in peace good friends may you be rejoined and happy together again.*

Lisa Sall - September 29, 2020 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ *sorry for your loss*

ann plimpton - September 29, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Rob, Paul, Whitney, Carter and your families,
We are saddened to learn of Glenelle's passing. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. We used to enjoy our time commiserating with her when we were back in Sioux Falls in the years after Gene and Bob passed away. She loved to share stories about Whitney and Carter.
Know that you are not alone.
David, Tinya and Jared Christensen*

David, Tinya and Jared Christensen - September 29, 2020 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ I was so sorry to hear of Glenelle's passing. I am so glad I got to spend time with her in February when we came back to Lennox for my father-in-law's funeral service. I have a lot of fond memories of the times we had dinner with her whenever we came for family visits. We always got around to talking about her Grandfather's artwork. When she moved out of her apartment, she sent us two of his chalkings. Every time I look at them, I think of her and smile.

My thoughts and prayers go to all her family.

Robert Terry

mart terry - September 29, 2020 at 12:00 AM