



Leola Lampy

Leola was born in her parents' home across the street from the school in Bryant, South Dakota, on April 2, 1916. She was the fourth child of Murray and Kathryn (Finley) Pack and the granddaughter of Dakota Territory homesteaders from Ireland. She attended school in Bryant for 11 years. She spent her senior year in Luverne, Minnesota, and graduated from Luverne High School on Friday, June 1, 1934. During her school years she took

part in church activities, 4-H, oral interpretation, and cheerleading.

Following high school, she attended the Northwest College of Commerce in Huron, South Dakota, completing the secretarial and accounting course of study. In 1935, she was hired by H.H. Humphrey Sr. to "keep the books" for Humphrey Drugstore in Huron. She married Kenneth A. "Dutch" Lampy on Sunday, October 23, 1938, at the Catholic parsonage in Bryant.

She and Dutch moved to Watertown, SD, where she gave birth to their first child on February 8, 1942, two months after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. They were blessed with a family of five children—Karon, Mary Lee, Barbara, Russell, and Elizabeth. She and Dutch raised their family in Watertown, enjoying Lake Kampeska and the Muni Golf Course. They were active participants in the parish life of Immaculate Conception church and school. They also enjoyed hunting and fishing in the lakes of northeastern South Dakota as well as vacations in northern Minnesota and the Black Hills. Leola's family joined her mother, siblings, nieces and nephews many times over the years for holiday dinners and summer picnics.

In 1967, Leola resumed working outside the home and became a library aide at Lincoln Elementary School Learning Laboratory in Watertown. She and Dutch moved to Brookings in 1969, and she began a long and satisfying tenure at Central Elementary School in Brookings, first as a teachers' aide and then as school secretary for principals Franny Dolan and Wayne Thompson. In addition to giving hundreds of hugs to school children, typing school announcements and correspondence, Leola successfully transitioned from the typewriter to the computer during her years at Central Elementary and was always proud of being "up to date" with her office skills. She was awarded a lifetime membership in SD PTA. She and Dutch were active in St. Thomas More Parish and attended many Jackrabbit athletic events during their years in Brookings.

Upon retirement in 1986 at the age of 70, Leola moved to Pierre to be with children and grandchildren, and spent 26 years enriching their lives in many ways. She was an active member of St. Peter & Paul Parish, and was proud to earn her 50-year pin from the Catholic Daughters of America. She worked part-time for several years for the SD Cosmetology Commission; she did volunteer work for St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary and the Right to Life office. In 2008 she moved from her beloved apartment on Capitol Avenue, to Dakota Heritage House, an assisted living facility. In January, 2010, she moved into the Golden Living Center, where she was lovingly cared for until her death.

Leola was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth "Dutch" Lampy in 1977, her parents Kathryn and Murray Pack, her siblings Florence Gadsden, Golda Rice, Frances Harmel, and Robert Pack, her son-in-law Ken Schaack, and her granddaughter Amy Karon Schaack.

She is survived by her children, Karon Schaack, Barbara (Monte) Hillestad, Russell (Nancy) Lampy, all of Pierre; Mary Lampy, Sioux Falls; Elizabeth (Jeff) Lechner, Madison; eight grandchildren, including Andrew Lampy, SDSU/Brookings; Jim (Kelly) Pettersen, Madison; Greg Pettersen, Lake Elmo, MN; Jed (Jolene) Hillestad, Rapid City; Eric (Anne) Hillestad, Pierre; Katie (Kevin) Olsen, Des Moines, IA.; Ann (Yohance) Humphery, Eagle River, AK; Jon (Tara) Schaack, Rapid City; and 13 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that Leola's memory be honored with memorials to Children's Museum of South Dakota, Attn: Donation, 521 4th Street, Brookings, SD 57006. The Museum is housed in the former Central Elementary building, a place where Leola spent many happy years.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family in care of Barbara Hillestad, 612 N. Oneida, Pierre SD 57501.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF Leola Helen Lampy April 2, 1916 ~ April 7, 2012

PRAYER SERVICE

7:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 11, 2012
Isburg Funeral Chapel,
Pierre, South Dakota

OFFICIANT

Father Kristopher Cowles

MUSIC BY

Diane Kehrwald

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Father Michael Wensing, Officiant
11:30 a.m., Thursday, April 12, 2012
Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Watertown, South Dakota

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Immaculate Conception Funeral Choir
Be Not Afraid On Eagles Wings
The Lord's Prayer How Great Thou Art
Song of Farewell Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise

PALLBEARERS

Leola's 8 grandchildren
Katherine Schaack Olsen Ann Schaack Humphery Jed Hillestad
Jon Schaack Eric Hillestad Jim Pettersen
Gregory Pettersen Andrew Lampy

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Leola's 13 great-grandchildren
Alex, Liam and Rowan Hillestad Austin and Hailey Hillestad
Caleb Pettersen Emily, Tobias, Anna and Benjamin Olsen
Lilibeth, Cecily and Astrid Schaack

INTERMENT

St. Mary's Cemetery
Graveside Music - Andrew Lampy
"Nearer My God To Thee"
Watertown, SD

Following the service, Leola's family would like to invite you for a time of fellowship and lunch in the fellowship hall.

*Arrangements have been placed in the care of
Isburg Funeral Chapel
Pierre, South Dakota*



AN IRISH BLESSING

May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
and the rain fall soft upon your fields,
and until we meet again,
may God hold you in the palm of His hand.



In Loving Memory **Leola Lampy**



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