

## Footprints

One night I had a dream. I was walking along the beach with the Lord, and across the skies flashed scenes from my life. In each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand. One was mine, and one was the Lord's.

When the last scene of my life appeared before me, I looked back at the footprints in the sand, and to my surprise I noticed that many times along the path of my life there was only one set of footprints. And I noticed that it was at the lowest and saddest times in my life.

I asked the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you would walk with me all the way. But I notice that during the most troublesome times in my life there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why you left my side when I needed you most."

The Lord replied, "My precious child, I love you and would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, where you see only one set of footprints, I was carrying you."

# In Loving Memory



Mary Lou Kellen

1935 ~ 2019

Goglin Funeral Homes are honored to serve the family and friends of Mary Lou Kellen



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Wake Service  
7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, December 10, 2019  
Goglin Funeral Home  
Yankton, South Dakota

Funeral Mass  
10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday, December 11, 2019  
Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
Yankton, South Dakota

Clergy  
Father Larry Regynski

Music  
Organist ~ Carla Bahm  
"Amazing Grace"  
"Shepherd Me O God"  
"On Eagle's Wings"  
"Canticle of the Sun"  
"Song of Farewell"  
"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

Honorary Casketbearers  
Katie Kellen, Zac Kellen, Wyatt Kellen

Active Casketbearers  
Amanda Tiezen, Brooke Blaalid, Chelsea Larson,  
Branigan Kellen-Hauger, Andrew Brody, Nic Kellen,  
Mitch Pomrenke, Tom Kellen

Interment  
Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery  
Yankton, South Dakota

Mary Lou Kellen, age 84, daughter of the late Mary and Ted Biren was born in Pipestone, Minnesota. She graduated in 1953 from the public school in Pipestone.

She was united in holy matrimony to Robert Kellen on May 18, 1954. This union was blessed with five children. After raising their family for over 20 years in Sibley, Iowa they embarked on a new adventure, moving to Yankton, South Dakota.

Mary Lou enjoyed being with her family, celebrating grandchildren as they arrived and great-grandchildren. She finished her working career retiring from Lewis and Clark Mental Health Center as she and Bob became snowbirds, spending winters in Mesa, Arizona. Mary Lou was an active member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Yankton for many years prior to her illness. She quietly departed this life on December 6, 2019 with her family by her side at the Avera Sister James Care Center in Yankton, South Dakota.

Her beautiful life will forever be cherished in the lives of her husband Bob of over 65 years; her children: Nancy (Bob) Brody, Menomonie, WI, Diana (Jeff) Uhrich, St Paul, MN, Tim (Betty) Kellen, Phoenix, AZ, Mike (Holly) Kellen and Tedd (Lynn) Kellen both of Yankton, SD; 11 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren sisters Carolyn (Warren) Bailey and Betty Biren both of Pipestone, MN; sisters-in-law Dee Biren, Minneapolis, MN and Terry Biren, Maple Grove, MN; brother-in-law Jack (Cathy) Kellen, Sibley, IA and a host of devoted nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, aunts, uncles, brothers: Ted Biren, Bud Biren and Christopher (Helen) Biren and one brother-in-law Don (Viola) Kellen.



This obituary was written in loving memory by the family.