

# *The Broken Chain*

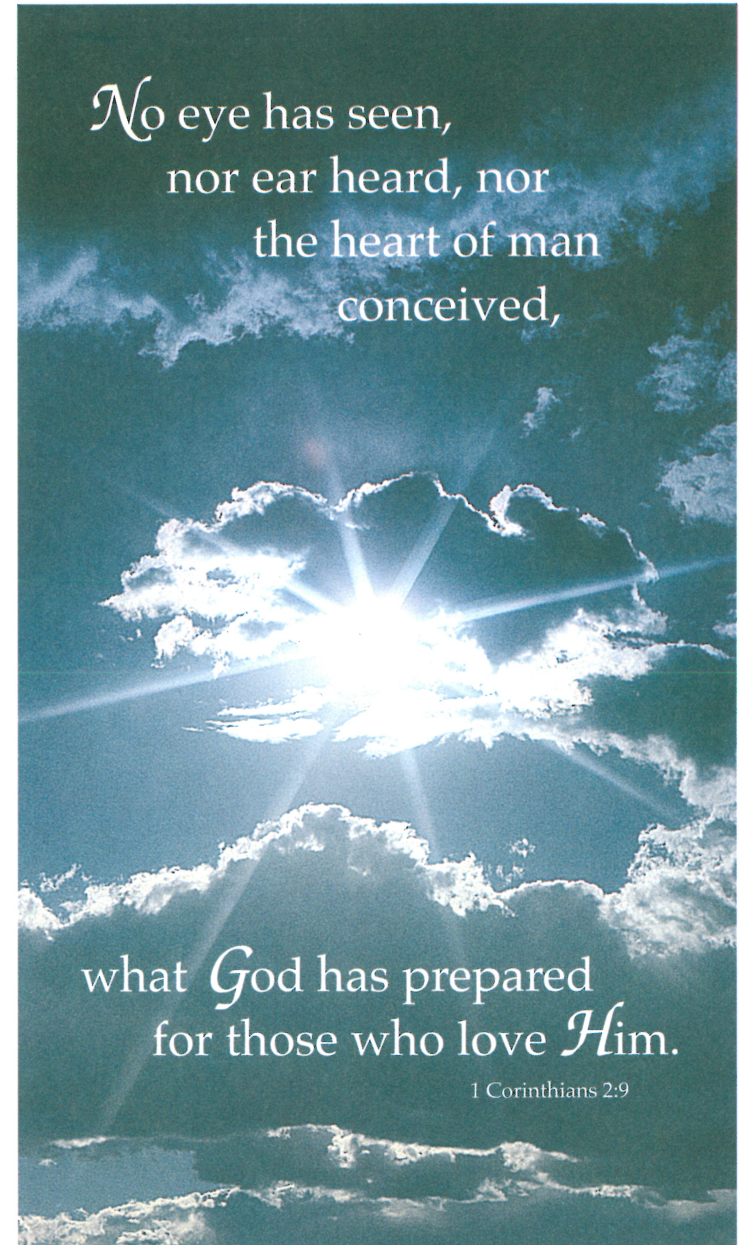
*We little knew that morning  
that God was going to call your name,  
in life we loved you dearly;  
in death we do the same.  
It broke our hearts to lose you,  
you did not go alone.  
For part of us went with you,  
the day God called you home.  
You left us peaceful memories,  
your love is still our guide,  
and though we cannot see you,  
you are always at our side.  
Our family chain is broken,  
and nothing seems the same,  
But as God calls us one by one,  
the chain will link again.*

*~ Author Unknown*



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*No eye has seen,  
nor ear heard, nor  
the heart of man  
conceived,*

*what God has prepared  
for those who love Him.*

1 Corinthians 2:9



Evelyn (Evie) was born June 16, 1926, on a farm eight miles from Howard, South Dakota, one of twelve children of Theodore and Elizabeth (Hansen) Poncelet. After graduating from St. Agatha's in Howard in 1944, she traveled to assist her sister Millie in Sheldon, Iowa, and soon made friends with gals who lived in Hawarden, Iowa. She began working at Tom's Café where she met her future husband Richard when he returned from serving in the U.S. Army during World War II.

They were married on June 4, 1946, in Hawarden, where they raised their six children. She worked at Otis Radio (Coilcraft) for many years, and K-Products (Staples Promotional Products), and also tied rugs for In-Weave in her retirement years.

Evelyn so enjoyed babysitting as she loved children, and traveling--especially to see relatives throughout the country. Her grandchildren and great grandchildren were blessings to her, along with her Scrabble and card-playing friends, especially at the Senior Center. She was a devoted member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and Guild and The Fraternal Order of Eagles in Hawarden. She will be remembered for her famous batches of peanut brittle she made for Christmas celebrations, and her many crocheted crafts and afghans. Circle-A-Word books became her life as she continued to keep her hands busy while still living in her home until shortly before her passing. Evelyn passed away peacefully on Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at Hillcrest Health Care Center in Hawarden.

Evelyn is survived by her children, Dave (Sherri) Harry from Hawarden, Dan (Jeanne) Harry from Sioux City, Iowa, Jim (Denise) Harry from Hawarden, Shelley (Scott Willmott) Sweeney from Sioux City, Joe (Dawn) Harry and Connie (John) Anderson also from Hawarden; 14 grandchildren: Nate (Angel), Jake (Kaye), Josh (Jenni), Levi, Luke (Natalie), Heather (Shane), Kayla (Jason), Brittanie (Jared), Tabatha (Shane), Amber (Isaac), Mandi (Rodney), Melanie (Gennadiy), Abby (Matthew), and Matt (Makayla); 27 great grandchildren; sister, Rita Thompson from Brandon, South Dakota; and brother, Tom Poncelet from Howard.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Richard; son-in-law, Doug Sweeney; brothers, Leo, Don, Ralph, Leo (Bill), and Martin; sisters, Callista, Armella, Rosella, and Margaret; brothers and sisters-in-law, Johnita, Mary, Yvonne and Gemma Poncelet, Elmer Schlim, Joe Ney, Walt Olinger, Charles Tipton, and Marlyn Thompson; and her very special first grandchild, Amy Lynn Harry.

*In Loving Memory*  
***Evelyn Teresa Harry***  
*June 16, 1926 ~ September 8, 2021*

**MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL**  
11:00 AM, Saturday, September 11, 2021  
St. Mary's Catholic Church  
Hawarden, Iowa

**CELEBRANT**  
Fr. Paul Nguyen

**ORGANIST**  
Julie Hummel

**MUSICAL SELECTIONS**  
"Hail Mary, Gentle Woman" #694  
"Prayer of St. Francis" #527  
"Amazing Grace" #433  
"Lead Me, Lord" #728

**HONORARY PALLBEARER**  
Jake Harry

**PALLBEARERS**  
Nate Harry ~ Josh Harry  
Levi Harry ~ Luke Sweeney  
Matt Anderson ~ Rodney Green

**INTERMENT**  
Grace Hill Cemetery  
Hawarden, Iowa

*Following the committal service, the family invites everyone to the church fellowship hall for a time of food and fellowship.*