



My First Christmas in Heaven

*I see the countless Christmas trees around the world below.
With tiny lights, like heaven's stars, reflecting on the snow.
The sight is so spectacular, please wipe away the tear.
For I am spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year.*

*I hear the many Christmas songs that people hold so dear,
But sounds of music can't compare with the Christmas choir up here.
I have no words to tell you, the joy their voices bring,
For it's beyond description to hear the angels sing.*

*I know how much you miss me, I see the pain inside your heart.
But I am not that far away, we really aren't apart.
So be happy for me dear ones, you know I hold you dear.
And be glad I'm spending Christmas, with Jesus Christ this year.*

*I send you each a special gift, from my heavenly home above,
I send you each a memory, of my undying love.
After all, love is the gift, more precious than pure gold.
It was always most important in the stories Jesus told.*

*Please love and keep each other as my Father said to do
For I can't count the blessings or love He has for each of you.
So have a Merry Christmas, and wipe away that tear.
Remember I'm spending Christmas, with Jesus Christ this year.*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Selma "Sallie" Settje

WHO WAS BORN

October 11, 1920

Spring Grove Township, Roberts County, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

December 7, 2022

Milbank, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Tuesday, December 13, 2022 - 11:00 a.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church

Corona, South Dakota

OFFICIANT

Reverend Arthur Drehman

MUSICIANS

Marlene Dockter, Organist

Larry Tietjen, Soloist

CASKET BEARERS

Chris Settje | Craig Settje | Evan Grong | Mike Thronson

Andrew Rogers | Ryan Stelter | Mike Hanten

HONORARY BEARERS

All of the Staff at St. William's Care Center

INTERMENT

Kilborn Lutheran Cemetery

Rural Corona, South Dakota

APPRECIATION

Sallie's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.

Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the interment, please join the family for food and fellowship at the Corona Community Center.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Mundwiler Funeral Home

Milbank, South Dakota

Sallie (Steinberg) Settje was born to August and Alma (Clark) Steinberg on October 11, 1920, on her family farm in Spring Grove Township of Roberts County, SD. She graduated from Summit High School on May 23, 1939. Sallie knew the importance of having an education. She defied her parents' wishes and attended high school. She paid her way through school by assisting teachers and helping with projects. She often shared how proud she was that her determination and hard work lead to receiving her diploma.

After graduation, Sallie worked at the Wilmot Café. The café is where she caught the eye of Marvin Settje. He came in to celebrate a baseball victory. Sallie fell in love with his eyes, smile, and quiet ways.

During the war, they parted ways as Marv was called to construct the Alcon Highway and Sallie worked in Rochester, MN. Sallie had the privilege of being trained as a weather observer working for the Weather Bureau until 1945 when Marv asked her to move home by him.

On February 5, 1946, Sallie and Marv were married in Milbank at the Methodist parsonage due to a snowstorm. They made their home in Corona, SD, and were blessed with three sons. Sallie worked as a cook at the Corona School where she loved meeting and interacting with students. She was a bookkeeper at Corona Grain and Feed for 32 years. She retired in 1989. Sallie was a member of the Trinity Lutheran church where she taught Sunday School, lead the Dorcas Ladies Aid, and quilting circle. She loved the community of Corona and was a founding member and president of the Senior Citizens until 2012.

Aside from her faith, family was the most importing part of Sallie's life. She always looked forward to the Settje family reunion. Her pride and joy were her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a devoted fan at all their activities and one of their biggest cheerleaders throughout their lives.

Sallie loved telling stories and preserving history. She spent endless hours researching and recording family genealogy, scrapbooking photos, and filing newspaper articles. She leaves behind a wonderful story of a determined woman who was full of faith in Jesus and love for her family and community.

Left with her loving memory is her son, Alvin Settje of Corona, SD; son, Jerry (Ruth Ann) Settje of Corona, SD; daughter-in-law, Laurie Settje of Corona, SD; grandchildren: Angela (Evan) Grong, Christopher Settje, Craig (Rachel) Settje, Amanda (Michael) Thronson, Catherine (Michael) Hanten, Abby (Andrew) Rogers, Jennifer (Ryan) Stelter; nine great-grandchildren; and brother, Eugene.

Sallie was preceded in death by her parents, August and Alma Steinberg; husband, Marvin Settje; son, Ronald Settje, daughter-in-law, Beverly Settje; sisters: Laverna and Marlene; and brother, Milford.

