

Footprints

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonged to him, and the other to the Lord.

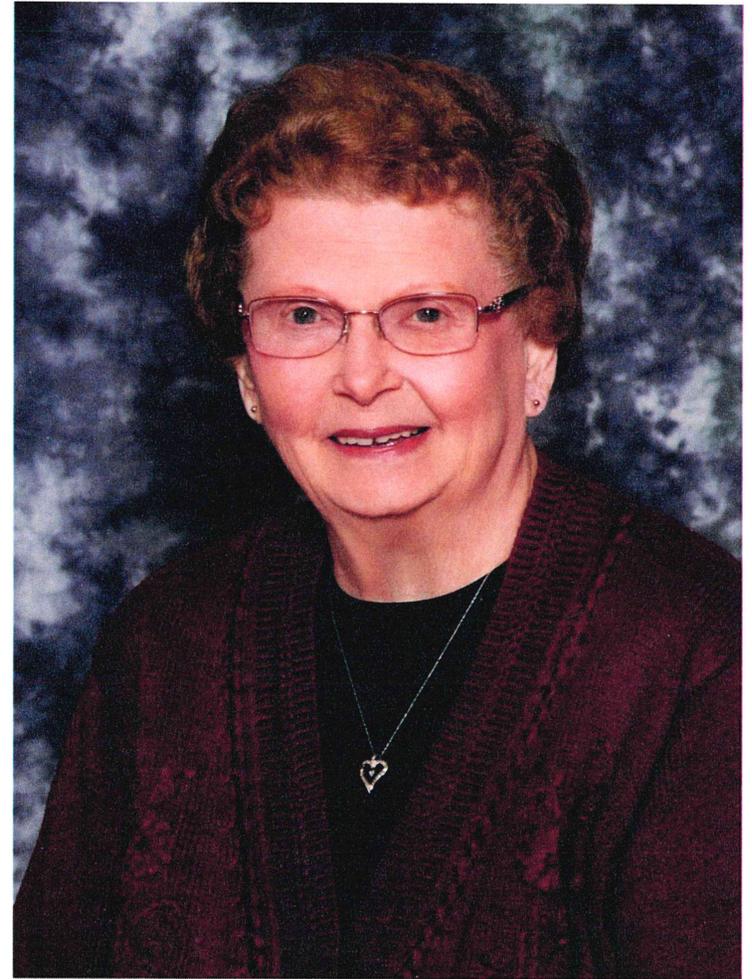
When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that when I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."

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



Celebrating The Life Of



Phyllis L. Heuer

February 1, 1927 ~ October 10, 2024

Phyllis (Johnson) Heuer was born February 1, 1927, to Fred and Elizabeth (Moeller) Johnson in Plato Township near Rock Valley. She was baptized March 6, 1927, at Peace Lutheran Church in rural Sioux Center. She was later confirmed on May 25, 1941, at St. Paul's Lutheran church in Ireton. She attended Center #9 country school through eighth grade and graduated from Ireton High School May of 1945.

She was united in marriage to Clarence Melvin William Heuer on Valentine's Day, February 14th, 1946, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ireton. After settling in at the Heuer home place, they attended Peace Lutheran Church for many years. Clarence and Phyllis were blessed with two children, a daughter, Shari, and a son, Randy. In December of 1977, the couple moved to their new home in Hawarden and became members of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Phyllis' interests included being active in the development of Calliope Village where she maintained the Bank Building for many years and was also part of the Hawarden Hospital Auxiliary. Phyllis was an active member of her church. She taught Sunday School for 9 years at Peace Lutheran. In addition, at Trinity Lutheran she was involved in Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Trinity Lutheran Ladies Aid, and the Sewing Circle. She made hundreds of quilts and many banners for the church. She also visited nursing homes and shut-ins as a Lamplighter for over 20 years.

Her hobbies included the craft of Norwegian Hardanger which she learned from a dear friend. She also bowled with the Kent Feed team for many years. At home she maintained her flower beds for which she grew her own flowers for 29 years with the help of her husband and family. She enjoyed traveling with her husband to Japan, Germany, Hawaii and many states throughout the United States. Another interest was attending both her grandchildren and great grandchildren's many activities. She went to be with her Lord and Savior Thursday, October 10, 2024 at the Hillcrest Healthcare Services at the age of 97.

Those left to cherish her memory are her loving family, a daughter, Shari and her husband Fred Koopmans of Sioux Center; and a son, Randy Heuer and his wife Pam of Alcester. Grandchildren are Michele Dirkx and her husband Brian of Spencer, Michael Koopmans and his wife Tammy of Hinton, Jayson Koopmans and his wife Carolina of Mankato, Tara Shumansky and her husband Todd of Sioux City, Sara DeLay and her husband Ben of Beresford, and Josh Homandberg and his wife Molly of Alcester. Great Grandchildren are Jenna (Dirkx) Ambrose & her husband, Zach & Devin Dirkx, Caden & Kylie Koopmans, Carson & Jackson Koopmans, Jace, Aubrey, & Mason Shumansky, Josie, Megan & Cooper DeLay, Lawson, Maci and Haddi Homandberg and many nephews. Phyllis also has a sister-in-law, Vivian Johnson of Ireton.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Elizabeth (Moeller) Johnson; her husband, Clarence Heuer; sister, Lorraine Wells; nephew, Larry Wells; brother, Roland Johnson; brother-in-law, Willis Wells.

In Loving Memory Of Phyllis L. Heuer

FUNERAL SERVICE

10:30 a.m. Thursday, October 17, 2024
Trinity Lutheran Church, LCMS
Hawarden, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Rev. Joshua Lowe

ORGANIST

Julie Hummel

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"In The Garden"

"Safe In The Arms Of Jesus"

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Her other grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

CASKET BEARERS

Michael Koopmans ~ Caden Koopmans

Brian Dirkx ~ Devin Dirkx

Todd Schumansky ~ Jayson Koopmans

Dave Heuer ~ Josh Homandberg

INTERMENT

Grace Hill Cemetery
Hawarden, Iowa

*Please join Phyllis' family for lunch and fellowship
at the Hawarden Community Center following the committal service.*