

A ROSE ONCE GREW

A rose once grew where all could see, Sheltered beside a garden wall. And, as the days passed swiftly by, It spread it's branches, straight and tall ... One day, a beam of light shone through A crevice that had opened wide The rose bent gently towards its warmth Then passed beyond to the other side... Now, you who deeply feel its loss, Be comforted – the rose blooms there – Its beauty even greater now, Nurtured by God's own loving care.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF Helen Marie Heller

WHO WAS BORN November 1, 1937 Deuel County, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME June 13,, 2022 Milbank, South Dakota

> Memorial Service Friday, June 17, 2022, 2:00 p.m. Mundwiler Funeral Home Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT Reverend Doctor DeVern Schwenn

> MUSICIAN Miriam Schwenn, pianist

INURNMENT Revillo Cemetery Revillo, South Dakota

APPRECIATION

Helen's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the service please join the family at the Revillo Community Center for a time of food and fellowship.

> ARRANGEMENTS BY Mundwiler Funeral Home Milbank, South Dakota

Helen Marie Cram was born on November 1, 1937, at the family farm in Deuel County, SD, near Revillo, to Ithiel and Ivy (Storm) Cram. She grew up on the family farm, and attended country school District #59, until eighth grade. Helen graduated from Revillo High School with the Class of 1956. She was united in marriage with her high school sweetheart, Donald Heller, on December 19, 1956, at Annunciation Catholic Church in Revillo. To this union, daughter, Deb, and son, Lonny, were born. After their marriage, they resided in Albee, SD, and Donald farmed with his dad for about four years. They lived and farmed together on the Heller family farm and celebrated 65 years of marriage. Helen was a dedicated farm wife; she would work right alongside Donald, and she managed to keep the household running. She loved raising her kids and she was an excellent cook. Helen did some cooking and canning. She was able to work with Donald until Parkinson's Disease slowed her down.

Helen was a member of the Half-Century Extension Club in Revillo for many years and really enjoyed being part of the Birthday Club with her special friends. She enjoyed spending time with her grandkids and keeping up with all their activities. She liked to look nice and enjoyed nice things. Helen and Donald enjoyed old time dancing and playing cards with the neighbors. They traveled around the United States, but Helen always appreciated returning home to Revillo.

Helen is survived by her husband, Donald of Revillo, SD; son, Lonny (Maria) Heller of Revillo, SD; daughter, Debb (Brian) Sime of Revillo, SD; sister, Virginia Hanson of Sioux Falls, SD; grandchildren: Jesse (Katie), Cody (Barb), Kim (Randy), Tim (Whitney), Nathan ((Rebecca), Nicholas (Erin), Natasha (Isaiah); great-grandchildren: Bryce, Saycia, Waylin, Chasen, Charlize, Liam, Henry, Russell, Elliott; along with many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers: Harold, Kenneth, Wayne, Francis, Harvey, and Quentin.



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