RYE, Gwenn G. (Overton)

December 4, 1921 rural Irene March 20, 2016 Viborg

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Gwenn G Rye

Gwenn G Rye, age 94, of Viborg, South Dakota died March 20, 2016 at Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home in Viborg.

A celebration of life will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 8 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Irene with Pastor Mark Ostrem officiating. Private family burial will take place at Hillcrest Cemetery in Irene.

Gwenn was born December 4, 1921 to Glen and Nora (Solem) Overton in rural Irene and graduated from Irene High School in 1939. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith at Salem Lutheran Church, rural Irene. Gwenn married Kenneth O. Rye in Howard, SD June 19, 1954. They lived in Rapid City for 8 years before moving to Irene and then to Viborg in 2003.

Gwenn worked in Yankton at Dale Electronics for 14 years before accepting a position at South Dakota Job Service in the Vermillion and Yankton offices. After retirement in 1987, Gwenn worked as a hostess at Jo Deans

Steak House during the summer months. She and Ken spent the winter months in Arizona.

Gwenn is survived by three daughters: Sharon (David) Akland of Irene, Mary (Dennis) DeVaal of Madison, WS and Carla (Mark) Bichler of Miles City, MT; six grandchildren: Susan (Larry) Christensen, Scott (Kathy) Krueger, Karen (Mark Ryken) Shroedermeier, Kenneth (Carla) Bichler, Kirsten and Christian Bichler; and seven great-grandchildren. Also surviving are three sisters-in-law: Corinne (Harland) Nelson, Decorah, IA, Ella Magstadt, Abby Rye of Minneapolis, MN, nieces and nephews and a multitude of friends.

Gwenn was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Dwight Overton; granddaughter, Sara Krueger, great grandson, Isaac Krueger and brother-inlaw, Glen Rye.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Calvary Lutheran Church or Pioneer Memorial Hospital & Health Services.