

PORTILLO, Phyllis M. (Heston)

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PHYLLIS PORTILLO



Phyllis Portillo, age 85 of Yankton passed away early Sunday, February 07, 2010 at the Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home in Viborg, SD after a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's disease. Memorial services will be 1:00 PM, Thursday, May 13, 2010 at the First United Methodist Church in Yankton, SD with Rev. Dean Trapp officiating. Burial of her cremated remains will be in the Garden of Memories. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton is in charge of the arrangements.

Phyllis Madeline (Heston) Portillo was the daughter of Chelsea (Ray) and Lela Heston. She was born July 12, 1924 on the family farm north of Kennebec, SD. She was one of nine children born to Ray and Lela. They were homesteaders in Butte County and later moved to Lyman County. Phyllis attended country school and after graduation moved to Sioux Falls where she attended Stewart School of Hair Design. This is where she

met her future husband, Mike Portillo. Mike was employed by the Great Northern Railroad and they later transferred to Viborg and then to Yankton. Mike and Phyllis had five children: Deb, Jody, Michael, Patti, and Marcia. Phyllis' career in the salon business lasted over 50 years, at her last count she had owned and operated over 12 salons. Phyllis was a 4-H Leader for many years, a member of Eastern Star and had belonged to the First United Methodist Church for over 40 years. She has spent the last eight years of her life at several care centers, Pine Lane Estates and lastly the Haven at Viborg Memorial Nursing Home in Viborg.

Phyllis is survived by her brother, and sister-in-law, Rex and Agnes Heston of Wadena, MN; daughters: Deb Sterna and husband, Jim of Newell, SD and Jody Brady of Yankton, SD; son, Michael and wife, LuAnn of Yankton, SD; son-in-law, David Riedy of Bismarck, ND; four grandsons: Ben Portillo and wife-to-be, Tina, Taylor and wife, Tara, Josh Riedy and wife, Kodi, and Beau Brady; four granddaughters, Chelsea Riedy, Jessica Faydo, Holly Riedy, and Brooke Brady and 12 great grandchildren. Phyllis also leaves behind many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband, Mike, daughters, Patti Portillo and Marcia Riedy, grandson, Robin Riedy, 6 sisters, and one brother.