Mary Glueckert passed away peacefully on Tuesday evening, following a brief illness at Mercy Medical Center surrounded by family members.

Mary Margaret (Robinson) Glueckert was born to Samuel (Bob) Robert Robinson and Clara (Topel) Robinson in Bozeman, Montana on February 27th 1923. She attended Holy Rosary Grade School, Holy Rosary High School in Bozeman and business college in Spokane, Washington. While growing up in Bozeman she spent many hours working in her family grocery business "Robinson Grocery," and this business operated grocery stores in Bozeman and Helena.

Mary was united in marriage with George Glueckert at the Helena Cathedral on May 14th 1944. George was enlisted in the Navy at the time of their wedding, and she helped her parents while George defended our country. When George was discharged from the Navy, George and Mary lived in Missoula and Great Falls, Montana where George was a partner in a regional family owned laundry business. During these years Mary gave birth to 9 sons Bernard, Richard, Dennis, John, Stephen, Pete, Alan, Timothy, and Gregg. George and Mary were very involved with their children's lives, and they traveled many miles to support their sons' undertakings in their many extracurricular activities.

Upon retirement in 1984, George and Mary chose to move to Williston, ND to be closer to their children and were very involved in the community. During these years they spent many hours crafting stained glass pieces.

Mary cherished her family and friends and demonstrated caring and love in everything she did. Mary was very proud of her Irish heritage and she made two trips to Ireland to visit family in Donfanaghy, Donegal. Her large collection of Irish music was often played in her home to let people know she "wore the green."

Her Catholic faith was very important to her, and she spent many hours in service to her church including Catholic Daughters, Eucharistic Minister, choir member, Adoration, Devotions, and organist. She was a charter member of the Wednesday morning coffee club, who met for coffee every Wednesday after daily Mass. These ladies were her close friends. She was also an avid pinochle player and founded the Pinochle Group at church and enjoyed schooling her opponents at any opportunity.

Music was her passion, and she was a member of the Red Hat Ladies, a member of the Senior Citizens Choir, and the Senior citizens choir pianist. Her musical taste covered the spectrum from Mozart to Mannheim Steamroller and everything in between.

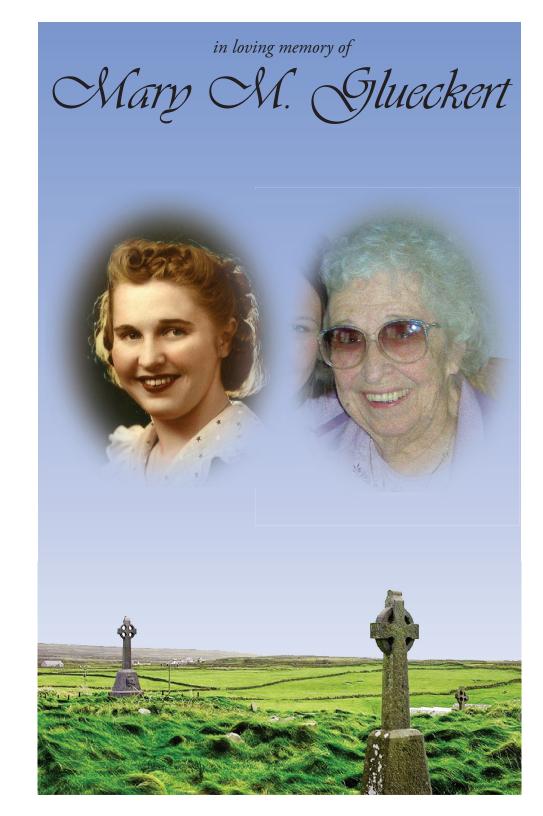
She kept herself informed with current world affairs and politics, and she wasn't shy about shedding light on any controversial topic. She was even known to write an occasional letter to the editor.

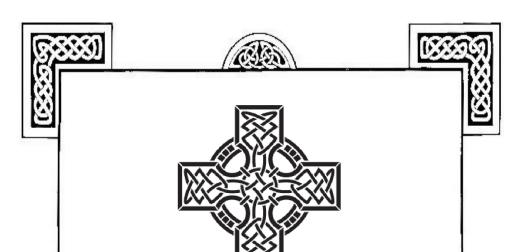
She is survived by her sister Roberta Pontney in Chicago; sister-in-law Maxine Glueckert in Bozeman, Montana; daughter-in-law Chris of Williston; sons Richard of Williston; Dennis (Connie) of Williston; John (Nancy) of Polson, MT; Stephen (Bev) of Missoula, MT; Peter (Linda) of Minot, ND; Alan (Susan) of Kinsey, MT; and Gregg (Vicki) of Billings, MT; twenty-two grandchildren, twenty-one great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Mary will be deeply missed by all whose lives she touched. She was a true inspiration and role model for her family.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, her brother James Robinson, her husband George, and sons Bernard and Timothy.

Her Mass of Christian burial will be at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Williston Saturday November 27th at 10:00 A.M. Fr. Dennis Schafer will be the celebrant. A rosary service will be held Friday evening at St. Josephs at 7:00 P.M. Friends may call at the Fulkerson Funeral Home from 1 PM until 5 PM, at the Rosary prayer service Friday evening and Saturday one hour before the service at the Church. Fulkerson Funeral Home is entrusted with the families care.

Donations in her memory could be given to the St Joseph's Education Foundation or the charity of your choice.





Death is nothing at all.

It does not count.

I have only slipped away into the next room.

Everything remains as it was.

The old life that we lived so fondly together is untouched, unchanged.

Whatever we were to each other, that we are still.

Call me by the old familiar name.

Speak of me in the easy way which you always used.

Put no sorrow in your tone.

Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes that we enjoyed together.

Play, smile, think of me, pray for me.

Let my name be ever the household word that it always was.

Let it be spoken without effort

Life means all that it ever meant. It is the same as it ever was.

There is unbroken continuity.

Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight?

I am but waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near,

just around the corner.

All is well. Nothing is hurt; nothing is lost.

One brief moment and all will be as it was before.

How we shall laugh at the trouble of parting, when we meet again.

- from a sermon written by Henry Scott Holland





in loving memory of

Mary M. Glueckert

Birth

February 27, 1923 Bozeman, Montana Death

November 23, 2010 Williston, North Dakota

Funeral Mass

10:00am, Saturday, November 27th, 2010 St. Joseph's Catholic Church Williston, North Dakota

Rosary Prayer Service

7:00pm, Friday, November 26th, 2010 St. Josephs Catholic Church

Officiating

Father Dennis Schafer Father Raymond Aydt

Musicians

Richard Glueckert, John Glueckert, Stephen Glueckert, Gregg Glueckert, Kathy Pepple, Kim Semenko

Casketbearers

Mary's Grandsons Matthew, Kevin, Samuel, Adam, Martin, Zachariah, Brian, David, Paul, and Thomas

Honorary Bearers

Mary's Granddaughters Kate, Megan, Pauline, Karen, Jennifer, Kristen, Erin, Gretchen, Colleen, Laura, Mallory, Mary Melissa

Interment

Riverview Cenetary Williston, North Dakota

You may share your rememberances and condolences with the family at the Fulkerson Funeral Home website: www.fulkersons.com