MOM

She woke up one morning and her memory was gone.
Her thoughts locked inside her This journey would be long

She mumbles so softly
You can barely hear
But each word is precious
Though nothing is clear

And hold on tight
For those days will soon fade
As darkness steals the light

The hugs that once held you
And calmed all your fears
Are now just embraces
Where thoughts aren't so clear

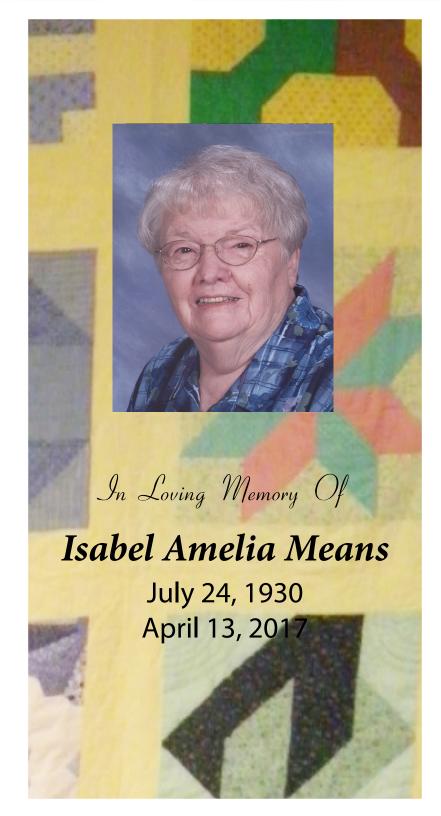
The love you once felt
As you looked in her eyes
Now sometimes is empty
Like a starless sky

As close as you are
There holding her hand
She is miles away
In a far off land

Jesus is calling
She hears but one voice
No human can stop this
Soon there's but one choice

Until then we wait
For her to be called
Where her mind will be freed
And she will again be Mom

by Bev Greenslate



Isab<mark>el Amelia</mark> Means **Born**

July 24, 1930 Cresbard, SD **Died**

April 13, 2017 Sidney, MT Mass of the Christian Burial

10:00 A.M., Wednesday, April 19, 2017 St. Matthew's Catholic Church

Sidney, Montana Celebrant

Fr. Hilary Tran
Music

Mary Carda Lori Utter Kathy Bidegaray

Casketbearers

Bruce Knoepke Gary Fuhrmann
Brandon Fuhrmann Darrin Newman, Jr.
Bryan MacGillivaray Kevin Goff

Gunner Goff

Honorary Casketbearers

All of Isabel's family, friends, and Day Care Children

Ushers

Sarah Toth Becky Newman Sierra Newman

Interment

Sidney Cemetery Sidney, MT

Lunch will be served in the Ned Shinnick Hall following graveside services

You may share your remembrances, condolences, and pictures with the family at the Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home Website: www.fulkersons.com

Isabel Amelia (Nash) Means was born on July 24, 1930, to Earl and Edith (Hall) Nash in the rural Chelsea, SD area. Isabel attended school through her senior year in Cresbard, SD. After attending college to take a teaching course, she joined the work force in Aberdeen, SD as a teacher. Isabel met her future husband while having a pair of shoes repaired. Merlin Wade Means was the manager of the shoe store where she bought her shoes on that fateful day. They married on February 18, 1950.

Isabel quit teaching in order to raise her family. Her first three children were born in Aberdeen, SD. The family then moved to Mobridge, SD when her husband found a better paying job-still a shoe salesman. They had a "second family" while in Mobridge and increased their children count to five.

In February, 1964, they again moved to a better quality of life to the town of Sidney, MT where they stayed. In 1967, Isabel started a daycare business out of her home to supplement their family income. Isabel was responsible for the formative years of over 100 children during her 50 years as a daycare provider. She never went anywhere without kids or moms stopping her to give her a hug and a big how are you.

Isabel died early Thursday morning, April 13, 2017, at the Sidney Health Center Extended Care.

Isabel is survived by her five children:
Patricia (Bruce) Knoepke, Beatrice (Gary)
Fuhrmann, Willard (Donna) Means,
Beverly (Sam) Greenslate, and Joan
(Dave) Horton; her grandkids, Jana
(Bryan) MacGillivary, Bobbi Jo (Kevin)
Goff, Joshua (Amanda) Bartels, Brandon
Fuhrmann, Kevin (Courtney) Means,
Michael (Melissa) Means, Katie Means,
Shane (Rei) Greenslate, Sarah (Kyle)
Eden, Sean Manning and Mark Manning;
her 26 great-grandchildren; and her
sister, Mary Ann Crane.

Isabel was preceded in death by: her parents; her husband, Merlin; her baby boy; her brothers, Oscar, Gordon, Orville, Elmer, Keith, and Dale.