



One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand: one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord. When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life. This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it:

“Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you’d walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don’t understand why when I needed you most you would leave me,”



The Lord replied, “My son, my precious child, I LOVE YOU and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints.

It was then that I carried you.”

Raetha Rose Evenson



Funeral Service

Tuesday, Nov. 26, 2024 ~11:00 a.m.
St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
Circle, Montana

Officiating

Father Joseph Ponessa

Music

"How Great Thou Art"
"Old Rugged Cross"

Pallbearers

Justice Kluth, Dustin Kluth ,
Lonny Jensen, Jesse Yerbich,
Logan Bentley, Garry Johnson,

Honorary Pallbearers

Lloyd Richeson, John Richeson,
Tony Richeson, Donny Richeson
The late Joe Richeson

Interment

Will take place after the Funeral Service
Riverview Cemetery
Circle, Montana

*Immediately following the interment
a luncheon will take place at the VFW.
Everyone is invited!*

Arrangements by
Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home

In Loving

M E M O R Y



Raetha Rose Evenson

March 27, 1941 - November 21, 2024

Celebrating THE Life OF

Raetha Rose Evenson (Richeson) quietly passed away in Billings, Montana on November 21st 2024 at the age of 83, with her daughters by her side.

Raetha was born to Robert and Margaret (Gieser) Richeson at 2:40 AM in St. Josephs Hospital on March 27th 1941 in Minot North Dakota, weighing 8lbs 10oz.

Raetha was the middle child in the family of 9, including five brothers (Lloyd, John, Tony, Joe and Donny) and 3 sisters (Marcella, Marie and Margie). Raetha spent her younger years working alongside her siblings and parents on the family farm and ranch in rural North Dakota. Moving to multiple locations such as Elbowoods, Granville, and Parshall, Raetha grew up with a strong work ethic, a love for family and the great outdoors. She loved all animals and collected many chickens. Most recently, she enjoyed sitting outside caring for her 5 kittens.

After attending high school in Parshall, Raetha married her husband, Lowell Evenson in July of 1957. Together, Raetha and Lowell had 6 children, Lowell Jr., Kathy Rae, Laurie Kay, Sherry Jean, David Lowell, and Tricia Rose. They moved from their first home in Minot, North Dakota to Watford City, North Dakota before they made their final home in Circle, Montana in 1964.

Her brothers and sisters made many trips to Circle to spend time together - attending dances, taking family trips to Fort Peck Lake and watching sporting events. Raetha loved watching the world series of baseball and watching football games with her son-in-law Dustin.

She loved to try new things and explore new ventures such as snowmobiling and four-wheeling with her family, spending her younger years with her kids in the snowmobiling group, Sno-Snoopers and later spending time with daughter Sherry, her husband Dustin and grandson Justice working cattle and branding on the Kluth family Ranch in Vida, MT. In time, she was able to join Justice and his wife, Kyndra working cows with their family.

Raetha held many jobs in the Circle Community, including a maid at the historic Gladstone Hotel, a CNA at McCone County Health Center - where she helped to admit the very first patient upon the facilities opening in 1977. One of her favorite jobs was being a McCone County Dispatcher, from which she retired in 2015 after a decade of service.

As an active member of the Catholic church, she greatly enjoyed helping with the annual rummage sale, attending mass with her multitude of friends and spending time with her great grandkids - including attending their multiple sporting events, as well as attending all of Circle Community festivities such as vendor shows and parades. One of Raetha's favorite activities as her family grew and aged went from taking her grandson Christmas shopping to him later taking her to new towns each year to find the perfect gift for everyone.

Above all, Raetha was a mother who took pride in her family and her home. She worked very hard throughout her life to ensure that things were always kept in order. Raetha's home was always open to family, friends and anyone who could use a hot meal. One memory that has stuck with her daughters throughout the years is watching their mother cook meals, make coffee and serve water to all of the fire fighters as the old bowling alley burned next to the family home.

Raetha loved life and spending time with others. As the years went on and more great grandchildren came along, she enjoyed spending birthdays and holidays surrounded by family and helping out with every meal that was planned - joining in many card games and late-night puzzle building sessions. She also loved music and dancing and reading.

Raetha is survived by two sisters Marcella (Bill) Dibble and Margie (Leroy) Giese. Four brothers, Llyod (Verdell) Richeson, John (Larae) Richeson, Tony Richeson and Donny (Lynette) Richeson. Daughters Sherry (Dustin) Kluth, Tricia Evenson, Stacie Olinski and Kathy Groh. Grandson Justice (Kyndra) Kluth and great grandchildren, Kaitlyn, Jaxon, Kinley and Kambree Kluth.

She is preceded in death by her brother Joe Richeson, sister Marie Evenson, brother in-law Bill Dibble, brother in-law Leroy Giese, son Lowell Evenson Jr. son David Evenson and daughter Laurie Evenson.

