



Roberta "Bobbie" Dietrich

November 19, 1929 - December 15, 2013

November 19, 1929 – December 12, 2013 Roberta J “Bobbie” Dietrich also known as “the back-scratching grandma”, passed away peacefully on December 12th, in her room at Assumption Home in Cold Spring, MN while surrounded by family. Bobbie was born on November 19, 1929 to Herbert and Florence Cochrane. She grew up in Aberdeen, SD where she graduated from Aberdeen Central HS in 1947 and attended Northern State University. There she met a rough & tumble rodeo cowboy named Martin Dietrich who swept her off her two left feet and they married in 1955. Bobbie was a selfless, loving, fun-loving wife, mother of two, grandmother of six, and foster parent of five. She also pinch-hit as a stand-in mother to children of all ages everywhere she called home. Bobbie was employed by Northern States Power in Aberdeen, SD, was secretary to the mayor of Aberdeen, and was a secretary at 1st National Bank in Groton, SD. Bobbie was a member of the Church of Christ, Scientist. She gave to the community by volunteering as a Girl Scout and Boy Scout leader, and as an emergency medical technician. She volunteered at the library and the elementary school. She was an adult literacy tutor. She sat on the women’s golf committee, was involved with the Credit Women’s Breakfast Club and the Greenfield Business Women. She enjoyed many activities including bridge, golf, bowling, and treasure collecting. Bobbie is survived by her husband Martin Dietrich, daughter TyLynn Theis and her husband Steve Theis, son Doug Dietrich, grandchildren Adam Theis and his wife Liz Theis, Matt Theis, Danna Theis, Becky Dietrich and her husband

Joe Fine, John Dietrich, Jake Dietrich, siblings Joan Caven, Georgia Anderson, Herb Cochrane, & Jackie Reed, foster sons Kevin Langager & Jake Rantanen, and foster daughters Nancy Daniels, Doris Johnson, & Tammy Jackels. Bobbie was preceded in death by parents Herbert & Francis Cochrane, siblings Fran Adair, Paula Gallipo, and Pat Borchers. Bobbie's family would like to express their deepest appreciation for the loving care given by the staff of the Assumption Home over the last years of her life and for the gentle kindness shown by Heartland Hospice to Bobbie and her family in her final moments. Bobbie's family invites everyone touched by this beautiful woman to join them in celebrating her life at a visitation at the Wenner Funeral Home, Cold Spring on Sunday, December 15th from 4-7 p.m. and on Monday from 9-10:15 a.m. A memorial service will be 10:30 a.m. on Monday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, friends & family are requested to send donations to either the American Diabetes Association or the Dakota Boy's and Girl's Ranch.

Tribute Wall



“ *Roberta "Bobbie" Dietrich*

January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *The world lost one of the most entertaining, creative and loving persons I know. Wishing Martin, TyLynn, Doug, grandchildren, brothers and sisters many happy memories, and lots of love, Julie*

Julie Balster - December 15, 2013 at 10:38 AM



“ *RIP Bobbie Dietrich, you were an amazing person, mother, and grandmother. You touched everyone's life you came across and made a huge impact on everyone's life including mine. You will be missed greatly and in our hearts forever and always.*

Erica Paul - December 15, 2013 at 09:04 AM



“ *We are Rachel's parents. Please accept our deepest sympathy and condolences at your loss.*

Lynn & Jay

Lynn & Jay Rayvd - December 14, 2013 at 02:41 PM

KL

“ *Martin & Family.*

Was very saddened to hear of the passing of Bobbie. She was a very good person. I still remember the fun we had when practicing the piano, purposely hitting the wrong key just to get a response from her. To this day, I have yet to find someone who made a better chocolate chip cookie. We used to eat them by the bag full.

I learned a lot from her during my time with the Dietrichs, and she will be sorely missed.

From my family to yours, I wish to extend our thoughts & prayers during this time.

Kevin & Deborah Langager

Kevin Langager - December 14, 2013 at 11:26 AM

AO

“ *Hello to all of Bobbi's family,*

I am so sorry to hear of Bobbi's death. She was a kind woman with a very great heart. May she rest in peace.

Angie Ochsner - December 13, 2013 at 08:15 PM

DF

“ *Martin and family,*

Just wanted to pass on our prayers and condolences on the passing of Bobbie. We are thinking of you and we remember fondly the good times when you were at the bank in Greenfield and a member of our management team. Sincerely, Dan Fliger

Dan Fliger - December 13, 2013 at 05:50 PM