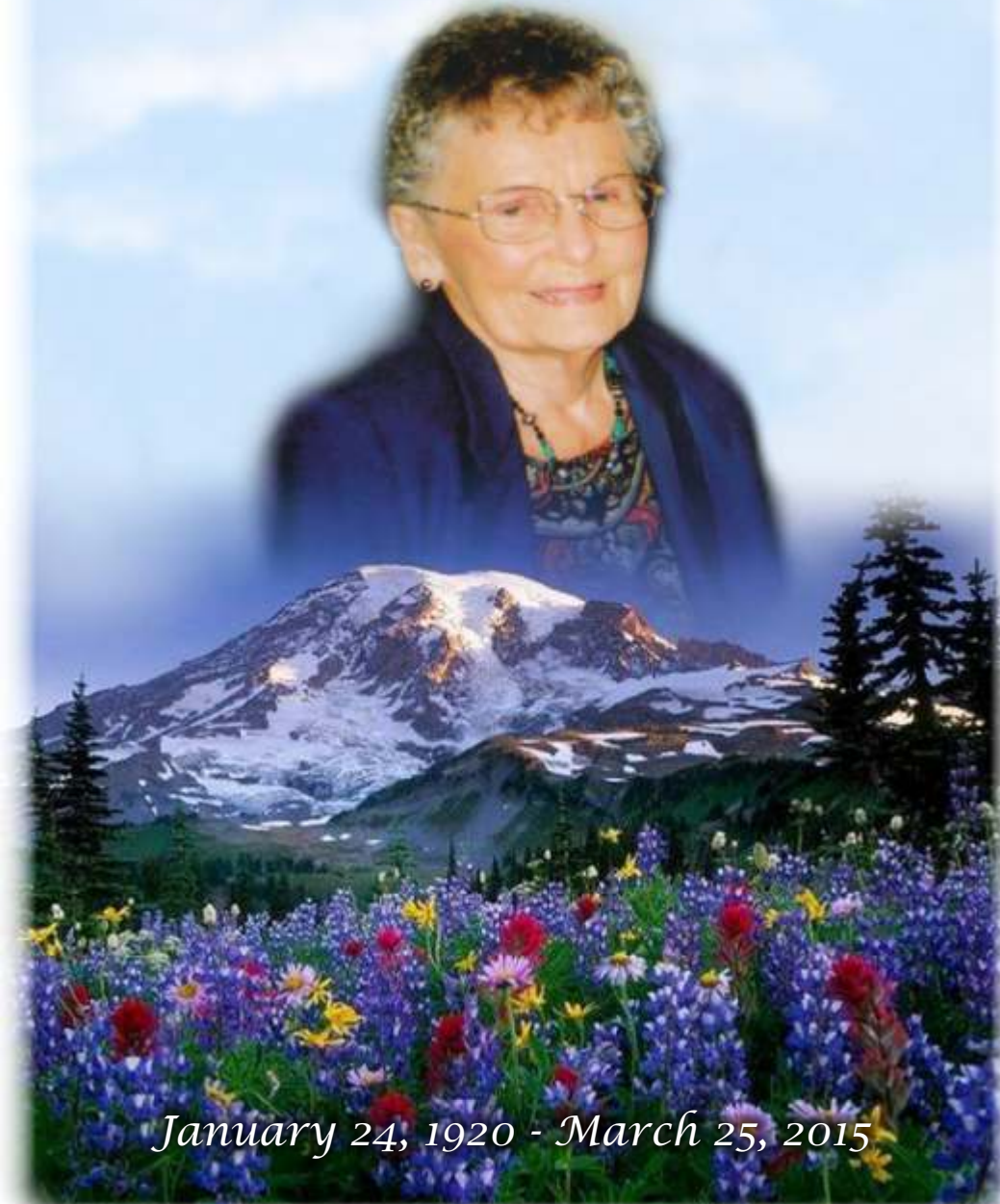


*In Loving Memory Of*  
*Betty Matthews*



Betty LaRue Matthews died on March 25, 2015, at the age of 95 in Phoenix, AZ. She was born on January 24, 1920, to Albert and Alice Burke in Kearney, NE. She graduated from Kearney High School and attended Los Angeles City College in 1939. She married Emery Matthews in 1941 in Grand Island, NE. After retiring from the Bighorn National Forest in 1980, and working for RENEW for four years, she and Emery enjoyed spending winters in Arizona where they danced the entire winter. She enjoyed family, traveling, gardening, bird watching, sewing, knitting, walking, swimming, fishing, reading. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Story Garden Club, Beta Sigma Phi, YMCA, Sheridan Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and served as "Grey Lady" for Red Cross in Stuttgart, Germany in 1953. Betty was preceded in death by her parents, husband Emery, four brothers, Wayne Burke, Raymond Burke Jr., Jack Burke and Gerald Burke. She is survived by her daughter Betty Jean Matthews of Apache Junction, AZ, her son Stephen Matthews of Oakland, CA, and a sister Audrey (Richard) Davis of Grand Island, NE, sister in law Betty Stiles of Beatrice, NE, granddaughters Lori (T.J.) Hill of Seattle, WA, Jodi Douglas of Concord, CA. Kelli (Eric) Cox of Sparks, NE, and six great grandchildren Taylor, Nicole, Paris, Spenser, Dalton and Timber, and several nieces and nephews.



*January 24, 1920 - March 25, 2015*



*Do Not Stand At My Grave And Weep*

*Do not stand at my grave and weep.*

*I am not there. I do not sleep.*

*I am a thousand winds that blow.*

*I am the diamond glints on snow.*

*I am the sunlight on ripened grain.*

*I am the gentle autumn rain.*

*When you awaken in the morning's hush*

*I am the swift uplifting rush*

*Of quiet birds in circled flight.*

*I am the soft stars that shine at night.*

*Do not stand at my grave and cry;*

*I am not there. I did not die.*

*In Loving Memory of*

# *Betty LaRue Matthews*

## **MEMORIAL SERVICE**

Friday, August 21, 2015, at 2:00 pm  
First Presbyterian Church

**OFFICIATING**  
Pastor Doug Melius

**MUSIC BY**  
Miriam Nance

A reception will follow at the Fellowship Hall.  
She will be laid to rest next to her beloved  
husband Emery.

In lieu of flowers memorials to honor Betty can be made to the  
First Presbyterian Church  
2121 Colonial Drive  
Sheridan, WY 82801  
or to the  
Sheridan Senior Center  
211 Smith Street  
Sheridan, WY 82801

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