

Marlene Rose Blanchard-Sensiba



Marlene Rose Blanchard-Sensiba, age 77, passed away at her home in Glasgow on February 25, 2015.

Marlene was born and raised in Glasgow where she grew up on the family dairy farm. The Riverview Dairy Farm was owned by her parents, Willis and Rose Blanchard. The Blanchard's provided milk to Valley County.

She was the oldest daughter of the four children. In 1951 she completed the 8th grade and graduated from St. Raphael's Catholic Church; she graduated from Glasgow High School; and in 1955 she earned her certificate in speed writing from Parks School of Business in Denver, Colorado. She returned to Glasgow and married Bill Sensiba on August 1, 1960 in Miles City, Montana by the Justice of the Peace.

Marlene worked at Sam's Supper Club for 30 plus years. She was known for her waitressing skills and often the patrons requested her to be their waitress.

She was also known for her huge garden. She enjoyed sharing her vegetables with her friends and family. She loved to cook and have family gatherings at the farm. Her other hobbies included dancing, playing cards, embroidering, fishing, canning, and crossword puzzles.

She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. She spent most of her time with her companion Donald Kinzell traveling back and forth between Glasgow and Grandville, North Dakota taking care of their gardens and fishing together.

She is survived by a sister, Savola Blanchard of Billings; she is survived by her four children: Ross (Val) Sensiba of Devils Lake, North Dakota, David (Laura) Sensiba of Aurora, Colorado, Gary Sensiba of Denver, Colorado, and Mary (Dan) Humbert of Glasgow. She is survived by grandchildren Kyle C. Humbert, Heather (Nick) Dulaney, and Bryant and Shane Sensiba. Marlene is survived by great grandchildren Kimber and Trevor Dulaney as well as cousins, and local nieces Doreena Blanchard and Georgie Kulczyk.

Marlene is preceded in death by her parents Willis and Rose Blanchard, her sister Sandra Mercil, her brother Myron Blanchard, and several aunts and uncles.

Cremation has taken place and a funeral service will be held on Saturday, March 7, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Raphael's Catholic Church in Glasgow. A luncheon will follow at the St. Raphael Parish Center.