Train to Heaven

We’ll be riding on the limited when she makes her final run
Down a glistening track of gold toward a never setting sun
We’ll need no helper engine when we cross the great divide
For the greatest engineer of all will pull the throttle wide
No switches and no crossings and a green block all the way
Leaving far behind the sorrows of a troubled yesterday
St. Peter is the flagman at the depot in the sky
He’ll see us safely in the yard of a dazzling by and by
Our long long journey over and we’ve heard the last ‘aboard’
Happy that we caught the special to the kingdom of the Lord

by Mrs. J.P. Gendreau

Romans 1: 16

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of
God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.
In Loving Memory of
Arlene Hoff

April 13, 1929   ~   March 5, 2014

Arlene M. Hoff, 84, of Williston, ND and formerly of Sheridan WY died Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at Mercy Medical Center in Williston.

Interment will be in Sheridan, Wyoming at the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery, Friday, March 14, 2014, at 10:00 a.m with Pastor Derryberry officiating.

Arlene M. Loucks was born April 13, 1929 in Orange, CA to Harry and Edyth (Hammontree) Loucks.

Arlene attended the Sheridan, WY School system and graduated from Sheridan High School in 1947.

Arlene M. Loucks married C. Glenn Hoff on October 22, 1948 in Sheridan, WY, where they lived for over 70 years until Glenn’s passing on August 23, 2001.

Arlene loved cooking and spent some of her early years as a cook on a ranch in New Castle, WY. After her marriage, she worked at the Mills Paper Co. in Sheridan, WY, but retired to raise 3 children. She enjoyed roller-skating and with her husband, ran the Sheridan Community roller rink for many years.

Arlene loved horseback riding, camping, fishing, crocheting, knitting, sewing, quilting and attending Bible Study with her church.

To Mrs. Hoff, life was one big adventure. Older age did not stop her quest to try new things. In her early 70’s, Arlene went to see Disney World and then Pearl Harbor for the first time with her daughter. In her late 70’s, she was given the opportunity to fly in a bi-plane and even though she had had a stroke and needed to be picked up and put in the plane, she had her first bi-plane ride. When in her 80’s, White Dog Development Group gave Arlene the opportunity to ride in a helicopter for the first time, she waited until a 4-wheel drive picked her up, took her to the helicopter in a nearby field, and she had her first helicopter ride.

Arlene was a Past President for Beaceant, Past Worthy Matron of Friendship Chapter #51 O.E.S., and member of Threaders Creative Fiber Guild in Sheridan, Wyoming.

She was preceded in death by her parents; 2 grandsons, Denton Hoff and Eric Westwang; and 1 step-grandson, Michael Higley.

Survivors include a son, Wayne Hoff of Sheridan; two daughters, Linda Westwang of Sheridan, and Laurie Bartenhagen (Dave) of Williston, ND; 8 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren whom she adored; and a brother, Duane Loucks.

Memorials may be sent to: Wounded Warrior Project, PO BOX 758517, Topeka, KS 66675.

Friends may call at Lutheran Brethren Fellowship Church on Tuesday