

Ella "Pete" Larsen, 97, of Sidney, passed away Tuesday morning, March 19, 2019, at the Sidney Health Center Extended Care, Sidney, MT.

Ella Fern Obergfell "Pete" was born November 15th, 1921 to Isadore Phillip Obergfell and Jean (Hatley) Obergfell on the family farm across from Crane, MT. She was the 5th child of 9. Pete attended Gosset School and graduated from Sidney High School. While attending school she worked at the movie theater. She married Herbert J Larsen on September 9th, 1942. They had seven children. Pete and her family moved out to the family farm in the late 1950's. They raised their children on the farm until they sold it in the 1970's, moved back to Sidney and bought the Club Tavern. They sold the Club Tavern in 1979 and bought the Hobby Shop which they sold in 1982. Pete enjoyed working in the garden with her husband. Canning food for the family, making pickles. She made the best angel food cake from scratch. She really enjoyed crocheting and knitting and was famous for her all star tennis shoes, as well as making afghans and doilies. This tradition is being carried on by her granddaughter April Andersen. Her and her husband never missed a day of the fair and always had several entries and won too many ribbons to count.

Pete and Herb enjoyed traveling; their favorite was the yearly trip to Black Hills, SD. Pete lost her travel partner on August 3, 2008. She continued to live at home with the help of her son Steve Larsen. After a few years it became more difficult for her to remain in her home so her daughter Shelly Larsen moved back in with her mom on November 9th, 2010. This allowed Pete to remain in her home until July 1st, 2016.

She spent the last 3 years at the Extended Care Facility where she gained another family as she was impossible not to love for her sass and grit.

Pete is survived by: sons, Steve Larsen, Sidney, MT, Doyle "Tarz" (Val) Larsen, Edgewood, NM, Clayton "Babe" Larsen, Billings, MT; daughters, Myrna Anderson, Denver, CO, Shelly "Buck" Larsen, Sidney, MT, Kelly "Pug" (Forrest) Markle, Sidney, MT; a sister Viola "Bliff" Kappel (who lived 2 doors down at ECF), Rosemary "Jen" Larson, and a brother Jake Obergfell, and brother-in-law, David Larsen; thirteen grandchildren, sixteen great grandchildren, and five great great grandchildren.

Pete was preceded in death by: her parents, her husband, a daughter Rhonda Gelbman, a granddaughter Gerri Anderson, a great granddaughter Shelby Anderson, a great grandson Jacob Anderson, her brothers Sant and Tim, and sisters Mae, Dot, and Bun.



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***Born to Isadore & Jean Obergfell***  
November 15, 1921~Sidney, Montana

***Passed Away***  
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***Services***  
10:00am Monday April 1, 2019  
Faith Alliance Church  
Sidney, Montana

***Officiating***  
Pastor Paul Turek

***Music***  
Linda Bergstedt  
Deniece Schwab Dennis DeVries

***Casketbearers***  
Cole Krugler Carl Krugler Jeff Huffman  
Nels Anderson Chris Larsen Mike Obergfell

***Ushers***  
Kevin Topp Don Krugler

***Luncheon in the church basement will follow  
the services. All are welcome.***

**Arrangements By:**  
**Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home**

