

A Cowboys Reincarnation



“What is reincarnation?” the cowboy asked his friend.

“It starts,” his old pal told him, “when your life comes to its end.

They comb your hair and wash your neck and clean your fingernails.

Put you in a padded box away from life’s travails.

Now the box and you goes in a hole that’s been dug in the ground.

Reincarnation starts in when you’re planted beneath that mound.

Them clods melts down just like the box and you who is inside.

And that’s when you’re beginning your transformation ride.
And in a while the grass will grow upon your rendered mound.

Until someday upon that spot a lonely flower is found.

And then a horse may wander by and graze upon that flower.

That once was you and has now become a vegetative bower.

Now the flower that the horse done eat along with his other feed

Makes bone and fat and muscle essential to the steed.

But there is a part that he can’t use and so

it passes through.

And there it lies upon the ground

this thing that once was you.

And if perchance I should pass by

and see this on the ground.

I will stop awhile and I’ll ponder

at this object that I’ve found.

And I will think about

reincarnation, life and death and

such.

And I will come away concluding,

“Why you ain’t changed all that

much.”



by Wallace McCrae

Edith Marie Goettle

Date and Place of Birth

June 23, 1950

Minot, North Dakota

Date and Place of Death

October 17, 2008

Minot, North Dakota

Memorial Service

Thompson-Larson Funeral Home

Minot, North Dakota

Friday, October 24 2008 – 11:00 a.m.

Officiant

Monsignor Joseph Senger

Special CD Music

“Will The Circle Be Unbroken” by Randy Travis

“Old Rugged Cross” by Bart Millard

“Just A Closer Walk With Thee” by Bart Millard

Honorary Urn Bearers

Edith’s family and friends

Edith’s family would like to thank all of you for your many acts of kindness. Your thoughts and prayers are greatly appreciated during this difficult time. May God bless the memory of Edith.

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