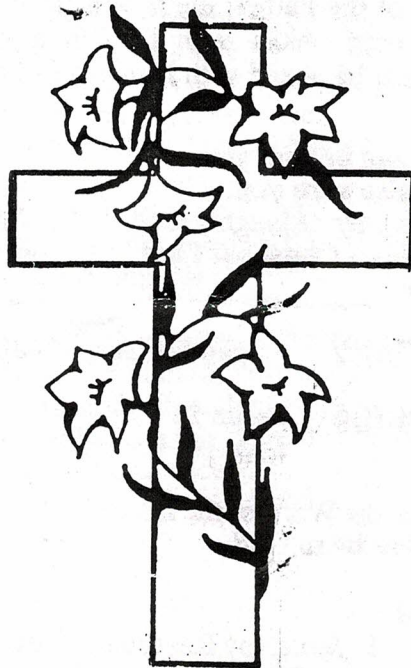


# FUNERAL SERVICE

LENA ANTONIE ARNOLD  
9th October 1908 - 5th May 1997



**Text:** *Commit your way to the Lord (Ps 37: 5a)*

**CHRIST CHURCH, MURRAY BRIDGE**

**7th May 1997**

**Officiating Minister: Pastor Marnie Renner**

## ORDER OF SERVICE

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
C. Amen.

P. When we were baptised in Christ Jesus, we were baptised into His death. We were buried therefore with Him by Baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.

P. The Lord be with you.

C. **And also with you.**

P. Let us pray... Almighty God, ..... through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C. Amen.

**THE OBITUARY - read by Graham Jolly (grand-son)**

**THE READINGS** Psalm 23  
John 14: 1-6

P. This is the Word of the Lord

C. **Thanks be to God.**

### HYMN 479

1. Jesus, my Redeemer, lives,  
Death is overcome and banished.  
O what joy this knowledge gives!  
Now my fears of death have vanished,  
Though its solemn hour be fraught  
Still with many an anxious thought.
  
2. Jesus, my Redeemer, lives,  
I too unto life shall waken;  
Endless life my Saviour gives;  
Shall my courage then be shaken?  
Shall I fear, or could the head  
Rise and leave His members dead?

3. Nay, too closely am I bound  
Unto Him by hope for ever;  
Faith's strong hand the rock hath found,  
Grasped it, and will leave it never;  
Not the ban of death can part  
From its Lord the trusting heart.
4. I am flesh and must return  
Unto dust, whence I am taken;  
But by faith I now discern  
That from death I shall awaken,  
With my Saviour to abide  
In His glory, at His side.
5. I shall see God with these eyes,  
Shall behold my blessed Saviour;  
I the selfsame shall arise,  
In my flesh see God for ever;  
Then shall wholly disappear  
Frailties that oppress me here.
6. All that suffers, mourns, and sighs,  
Christ with Him to glory bringeth;  
Earthly is the seed, and dies:  
Heavenly from the grave it springeth.  
Glorified we then ascend  
To the life that knows no end.

**SERMON** Pastor Marnie Renner

### **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell, the third day He rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty, from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

P. Lord, have mercy:  
C. **Lord, have mercy,**

P. Christ, have mercy:  
C. **Christ, have mercy,**  
Lord, have mercy:  
C. **Lord, have mercy.**

## THE PRAYER

### HYMN 426

1. What a friend we have in Jesus,  
All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer.
2. Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged;  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful,  
Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness;  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
3. Are we weak and heavy laden,  
Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Saviour, still our refuge!  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do thy friends despise, forsake Thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer;  
In His arms He'll take and shield Thee,  
Thou wilt find a solace there.

## THE BLESSING

P. These mortal remains will now be taken for burial.  
C. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Afternoon tea will be served in the Hall after the Funeral.**  
**All welcome!**

*Lena Antonie Arnold (nee Roocke)*

*9<sup>th</sup> October 1908 – 5<sup>th</sup> May 1997*

Lena Antonie Arnold, fondly known as Toni, was the youngest daughter of 10 children, born to Friedrich and Anna Roocke (nee Biar) on 9<sup>th</sup> October 1908 at Neales Flat. Toni was baptised and confirmed in St Pauls Lutheran Church at Brownlow by Pastor P Breier. She attended Brownlow Public School and after leaving school worked on the farm assisting her aged parents, until her brothers married. While working as a domestic at Tippera, Yorke Peninsula, she met Harold Arnold and they married on 28<sup>th</sup> March 1932 at Stonefield.

The first 10 years of married life was spent farming at Sandilands, Yorke Peninsula. In 1942 Toni and Harold, with their young family moved to Taplan, where Harold found employment with SA Railways. In the following six years Toni and her family moved, as a result of employment transfers, to Cookes Plains, Wirregar and finally Tailem Bend in 1948, where they remained until Harold's retirement in 1973. For the next 20 years they resided in Murray Bridge. In 1992, Toni and Harold returned to their grass roots, moving to an independent unit at Barossa Valley Nursing Home in Nuriootpa. During these years, they were reunited with many old friends and family of their earlier days.

In 1982, Toni and Harold celebrated their Golden Wedding at Murray Bridge and in 1992 they were fortunate to celebrate their Diamond Wedding at Eudunda with family and friends. Toni and Harold's marriage was blessed with seven children, Eunice, Kevin, Fay, Leon, Trevor, June and Roy. Toni was the proud grandmother of 18, great grandmother of 36 and great great grandmother of two children.

Toni's belief in God sustained her through many tragedies in her life. In 1955, Toni's son Leon passed away as a result of an accident. Toni was to lose another two sons, Kevin and

Trevor in later years. On 27<sup>th</sup> March 1995 her husband Harold passed away, one day before their 63<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

Toni was an accomplished seamstress and loved knitting and crochet work. During the 1950's Toni and Harold acted as interpreters for Baltic Migrants. It was also during their time at Tailem Bend that Toni became a second mum to many of the local postal workers who boarded in her home.

Toni was a strict, but loving mother and grandmother. Many of the grandchildren regularly spent holidays at her home in Tailem Bend, where they were always well fed (despite her not being fond of cooking) and well loved. Toni loved nothing better than spending time with family and friends, and at parties she would be one of the last to leave. She treasured her friendships, and many were to remain constant throughout her life. Toni had a marvelous sense of humor, wonderful smile and contagious laugh.

Each of us has been enriched through her being part of our lives. With Toni's passing, we will remember her, the joy and love she gave us.



*'Commit thy way unto the Lord'*