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Helen Smith



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She is survived by her six children, Charles (Pamela) Smith of Cutbank, Mont., Linda (Darrell) Wyss of Palm Coast, Fla., Nancy (Darrell) Klein of Brooklyn, Gary (Brenda) Smith of Montezuma, Jeffrey Smith of Grinnell and Lori (Lennie) Smith of Oakland Acres; five brothers, Clarence Price, Stephen Jr. (Donna) Price, Harvey (Janet) Price, Larry (Janet) Price and LeRoy (Betty) Price; five sisters, Leona (Loyd) Sword, Joan (Louis) King, Shirley (Bill) Dace, Colleen (Jack) Elfin and Loretta Hoppe; two sisters-in-law, Joyce Price and Jeannie Smith; 15 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

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