

The Ron and Carol Moon family were together with the Motchenbacher family for a memorial service for Carol's only sister, Gretchen Motchenbacher, at the Rochford Chapel on January 13 in Rochford, SD.

An interment service will take place in Beresford, SD; in the spring.

Gretchen died at her home on January 6. She was born to Lois and Carl Lehman on July 6, 1933 in Sioux City. Gretchen lived most of her adult years in Minneapolis, MN; where she and her husband, Curtis, reared three children.

Gretchen was a history devotee of the Black Hills Region of South Dakota and chose to retire there.

She was co-author of two history books, one of Lead, the other Deadwood, SD.

Gretchen was instrumental in establishing the Black Hills Mining Museum at Lead, SD; and for the last several years was curator of the Preacher Smith Museum at Deadwood.

She was preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include her three children: Ellen (Dan) Sherry, Ellsworth, WI; Janet (Jeff) Haviland, St. Joseph, MN; and Charles (Melanie) Motchenbacher, Reno, NV; and seven grandchildren.