

Tillie Collier, age 94, of New Rockford, ND, died on Tuesday, November 1, 2016, at Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd in New Rockford, ND.

Tillie was born on December 21, 1921, at rural Cathay, ND, the daughter of John and Thekla (Bryne) Gedrose. She attended school at Fairville Township, Wells County and was baptized and confirmed in Stavenger Lutheran Church. She worked as a housekeeper in Carrington and rural Brantford before going to Chicago to work during WWII. She returned to the area in 1945, and continued to work as a housekeeper for several more years.

Tillie was united in marriage to H. Glenn Collier on December 15, 1951, in New Rockford. They farmed in Columbia Township, north-west of Grace City, ND. Glenn died in 1961, and she continued to farm until moving to New Rockford in 1981. Upon moving to town she started working at City Hospital in Housekeeping until the hospital closed.



Tillie and Glenn had four children, Cindy, Bill, Robert, and Glenda. She had a deep love for her family. Tillie also enjoyed cooking, baking, gardening, especially her flowers, doing crafts and reading. She was an active member of First Lutheran Church and belonged to the Martha Circle. She also was a member of the Columbia Homemaker Club.

Tillie is survived by two daughters, Cindy, Fargo, ND, and Glenda and husband, Larry Danduran; two sons, Bill (Josolyn) and Robert (Andra), all of New Rockford; 10 grandchildren, Heather (Justin) Messmer, Boise, ID, Heidi (Brett) Lehner, Misawa, Japan, Chris (Karla) Haugen and Mike (Kaley) Haugen, both Dickinson, ND, Thad Collier, Marcus (Kristen Johnson) Ulrich, and Sydney Ulrich, all of Fargo, ND, Ashley (Seth) Metcalf, Otsego, MN, Sara (Jonny) Borchardt, Edgar, WI, and Nate (Alissa Bachmeier) Collier, New Rockford, and 19 great-grandchildren; 3 sisters, Gerda Backman and Vivian (Daniel) Rimmerid, both New Rockford, and Julia Gross, Fargo; one sister-in-law, Barbara Gedrose, Fort White, FL, and many nieces and nephews.

Tillie was preceded in death by her husband, parents, two sisters, Olga (Clarence) Sielig and Erna Gedrose; two brothers, Emil (Bernadine) Gedrose and John Gedrose, and other brothers-in-law, Charles Collier, Don Backman and Leroy Gross.

## *A Celebration of Life*



*Tillie Collier*

*December 21, 1921 – November 1, 2016*



**Tribute to Our Mother and All Mothers**

We really haven't lost our **Mother**  
Though we've said our last goodbyes,  
Though there's heartbreak in the parting  
No one's **Mother** really dies!

If you love to hear the old songs  
For the memories they bring,  
It's because you had a **Mother**,  
Who taught your heart to sing!

When you stop to help a neighbor,  
Search your heart and you will find  
It's because you had a **Mother**  
Who taught you to be kind.

If you go to church when weary  
Seeking God to guide your way,  
It's because you had a **Mother**  
Who taught you how to pray.

No, we haven't lost our **Mother**  
Though we've said our last goodbyes.  
Through our thoughts and deeds she's living  
No one's **Mother** really dies!

-author unknown

In Loving Memory Of  
*Tillie Collier*

December 21, 1921 – Cathay, ND  
November 1, 2016 – New Rockford, ND



PRAYER SERVICE

Friday, November 4, 2016 – 7:00PM  
Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd Chapel  
New Rockford, ND

FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday, November 5, 2016 – 10:30AM  
First Lutheran Church – New Rockford, ND

OFFICIATING

Rev. Russ Christiansen

EULOGY

Sara Borchardt

READER

Steve Gehrtz

SPECIAL MUSIC

Jared Kolles, Soloist  
Heather Klocke, Organist

CASKET BEARERS

Bob Backman  
Barb Hoppe  
Eddie Jensen

Dennis Rimmereid  
Lorraine LeBlanc  
Jerry Rimmereid

HONORARY BEARERS

Her Grand & Great-grandchildren

BURIAL

Prairie Home Cemetery – New Rockford, ND

Arrangements By

Evans Funeral Home – New Rockford & Carrington, ND

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