Alerene Hoffman, 81, of New Rockford, ND, died peacefully on Friday, January  $3^{\rm rd}$ , 2014, at Carrington Health Center in Carrington, ND.

Alerene Mae Nelson was born October 5<sup>th</sup>, 1932, to Charles and Josie Nelson. She had 7 siblings: Victor, Doris, Clayton, Harley, Vennoy, Eldon and Byron. She was raised and attended school in the Bremen area. After school, she worked babysitting for a family in Fargo, ND and then became a caregiver for Joan Larson. She then worked at City Hospital as nurses' aide in New Rockford, ND.

She married Robert Hoffman, Sr, on February 17<sup>th</sup>, 1953, in Sheyenne, ND and then lived in Rockford Township on the farm and raised their family until 1986, at which time they moved to New Rockford.

Alerene worked at Lutheran Home of The Good Shepherd for a total of around 30 years where she had countless friends and gave of herself selflessly. She began as a nurses' aide and then became the Activity Director and retired in 1993.



She so enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren when she could. She also loved being with her dear friends and playing dominos and bingo. For many years she loved doing crafts and attending craft fairs. She always had large gardens on the farm and loved planting flowers to see their beauty as they bloomed. She was an active member of Eagles Auxillary and church committee's and circles through the years.

She is survived by her children: Sharlene (Rick) Anderson, Devils Lake, ND; Robert (Sandi) Hoffman Jr., New Rockford; Deb Hoffman, Evans, CO; Lester (Kimiko) Hoffman, Broomfield, CO; and Penny (Steve) Eidem, Greeley, Co.; Grandchildren, Shannon Anderson, Richfield, MN; Heidi Anderson, St Paul, MN; Monica and Jessica Hoffman, Broomfield, CO; Justin Eidem, Greeley, CO; Bob French, Minnesota and three Great Granchildren, Stone, Gunner and Zakk in Fargo, ND; her siblings, Doris Jordan, New Rockford; Eldon Nelson, New Rockford, and Byron Nelson, West Fargo, ND; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charlie and Josie; her loving husband, Robert Sr. in 1992; brothers, Harley, Clayton and Victor; sister Vennoy Stokke; and grandson, Tony French.

## A Celebration of Life



Alerene Mae Hoffman October 5, 1932 – January 3, 2014

### God's Garden

God looked around His garden
And He found an empty place
He then looked down upon the earth
And saw your precious face



In Loving Memory Of

## Alerene Hoffman

October 5, 1932 Valhalla Twp, Bremen, ND January 3, 2014 Carrington, ND



#### **FUNERAL SERVICE**

Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 2:00 PM First Lutheran Church, New Rockford, ND

OFFICIATING Rev. Tina Mills

#### **MUSIC**

Doreen Taylor, organist Deb Belquist, vocalist Steve Eidem, trumpet soloist

#### **CASKET BEARERS**

Earl Stokke Tom Ryan Richard Ryan Scott Stokke David Hoffman Dennis Weber

### HONORARY BEARERS

All of her grandchildren and great grandchildren

# INTERMENT Prairie Home Cemetery, New Rockford, ND

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