

Dorothy O'Connor, age 94, passed away Monday, December 17, 2018, at the Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd, New Rockford.

Dorothy Simon was born April 12, 1924, in New Rockford, North Dakota, the daughter of David W. and Josephine (Schwela) Simon. She went to New Rockford Public School and also to Crookston High School for two years. While going to school in Crookston, she lived with her half-sister. She returned to New Rockford and graduated from St. James Academy in 1942.

She worked at various jobs including teaching school for one year. While teaching she stayed at the Artie Fingerson home. She worked at the Co-op and Drug Store for 15 cents an hour. She courted Francis O'Connor for three years before they were married on April 24, 1946. They made their home in Munster Township, Eddy County where they farmed and raised their children. Dorothy worked in the local bakery for several years, where she decorated cakes among her other duties. They retired in 1981 and moved into New Rockford. She also cleaned the city library and with Fran's help, the Community Credit Union, for 12 years.

Dorothy volunteered at the New Rockford Senior Center for many years, cooking, serving, cleaning, and washing dishes each Tuesday and Friday. She also represented Eddy County on the Board of Directors for Senior Meals and Services. She was active in the Catholic Church, first at St. Joseph's of Bremen and then St. John's of New Rockford.

Dorothy is survived by her children, Richard (Sandy) O'Connor, New Rockford, Edward (Kathy) O'Connor, New Rockford, Carol (Gary) Lynde, Garden Valley, ID, Colleen (Joe) Bachmeier, Owensboro, KY, and Julie (Jeff) Klocke, Coleharbor, ND; 16 grandchildren, and 23 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Francis in 2016, brother, David Simon, three half-brothers, Harvey, Homer, and Howard, and four half-sisters, Mabel, Blanche, Helen, and Frances.

In Loving Memory of



Dorothy O'Connor

April 12, 1924—December 17, 2018

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

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ROSARY & PRAYER SERVICE

Friday, December 21, 2018
Rosary ~ 6:45PM
Prayer Service ~ 7:00PM
St. John's Catholic Church
New Rockford

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Saturday, December 22, 2018 – 10:30AM
St. John's Catholic Church,
New Rockford

OFFICIATING

Fr. Reese Weber

MUSIC

Heather Klocke

CASKET BEARERS

Anthony O'Connor, Jay O'Connor, Shawn Klocke
Bill Klocke, Darin Klocke, Jenny Pinnell

BURIAL

St. John's Catholic Cemetery,
New Rockford

Arrangements by
Evans Funeral Home – New Rockford & Carrington, ND
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