

Dorothy Augusta Bauer, age 92, Carrington, ND passed away on March 31, 2021 at Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd in New Rockford, ND.

Dorothy was born on November 6, 1928 in Wahpeton, ND to Carl Sr. and Augusta (Pedersen) Hansen. Dorothy grew up on the family farm near Hankinson, ND. She attended a one-room schoolhouse, Greendale Township #4, grades 1-8. She graduated from the Morris Agriculture High School, Morris, Minnesota. Following high school, she attended and graduated from NDSCS, Wahpeton.

On October 19, 1948, Dorothy married Merle Floyd Bauer of McClusky, ND, in Wahpeton. This union was blessed with a son, Micheal. They were married for 60 years.

After 31 years at Bremer Bank, Dorothy retired as assistant vice president of real estate and consumer loan officer. During her banking career, she served as director of the Jamestown Chapter BAI, a banking organization.

Dorothy was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church. Her faith was very important in her life. Along with women's groups, she participated in the church choir for more than 40 years.

Dorothy loved music and was very gifted. She excelled at playing piano and organ, which was quite an accomplishment since she couldn't read notes and played everything by ear. She believed each life is a song. One of her favorite inscriptions written by Charles F. Little, Jr. "A life is like a song we write, in our own tone and key. Each life we touch reflects a note that forms the melody. We choose the theme and chorus of the song to bear our name, and each will have a special sound. No two can be the same. When someone we love departs, in memory we find their song plays on within the hearts of those we leave behind." Dorothy wrote a song for Merle in 1979 and had it copyrighted.

Dorothy is survived by several loving nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Merle; son, Micheal; siblings Carl Hansen, Luella Hahn, Lorenz Hansen, Lavon Luhman, and Leona Steele.

Dorothy was a kind-hearted person who loved her family, friends and community with her whole heart. God bless her beautiful memory.

## *In Loving Memory of*



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*November 6, 1928 - March 31, 2021*



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**VISITATION**

Saturday, April 10, 2021 ~ 9:30AM – 10:30AM  
Trinity Lutheran Church, Carrington, ND

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

Saturday, April 10, 2021 ~ 10:30AM  
Trinity Lutheran Church, Carrington, ND

**OFFICIATING**  
Pastor Sarah Shanks

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Clara Edwardson ~ Organist  
Jon and Junelle Hjelmstad ~ Vocalists  
*Precious Lord, Take My Hand #773*  
*Well Done*  
*The Family of God*

**PALLBEARERS**

Orvin Godejohn ~ Jeffrey Thune ~ Jon Hjelmstad  
Kyle Kutzer ~ Jason Theede ~ Steven Kensmoe

**BURIAL**

Carrington Cemetery, Carrington, ND

Arrangements by

Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND

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You can shed tears that she is gone  
Or you can smile because she has lived  
You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back  
Or you can open your eyes and see all that she has left for you

Your heart can be empty because you can't see her  
Or you can be full of the love that you shared

You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday  
Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday

You can remember her and only that she is gone  
Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on

You can cry and close your mind and feel empty  
Or you can do what she would want:

smile, open your heart, love... and go on.

~Elizabeth Ammons



(Dorothy A. Bauer)