

To Mom -

On January 27, 1935 on a winter day

A little girl was born, Eleanor Mae.

She grew up by Willow Lake

4 brothers & 2 sisters the family would make.

She attended Clark High

That's where Dad caught her eye.

To this union, 5 wonderful kids were born,

Years have gone by & many grandkids have knocked on her door.

She loved it when family & friends would stop by

Just to say Hi!

She always had something baked up

& the coffee was always on so she would fill you up a cup.

Many days were filled with cooking, cleaning & baking,

And in the fields while Dad was mowing, Mom would be raking.

Summer months she gardened and raised chickens -1000 one year.

All we could say was "Oh Mother Dear!"

She spent many hours at her church & nursing home as a volunteer

She loved it and was so sincere.

She worked at Double R & Andys

And at the end of the day brought us home some candies!

Saturday nights were filled with lots of dancing with Dad over the years,

Many laughs were made and a few cheers.

We would like to say "Thank you Mom for all that you did,

You were always there for us kids.

We could tell in our hearts that you were leaving us -

Now you are in heaven with Dad and Jesus!"

Love You Mom,

Debra, Tim, Jane, Peggy & Steve



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A Mother holds
her children's hands
for a while...
their hearts forever.

Eleanor Mehlberg, age 86, of Clark, formerly of Raymond, widow of Clarence Mehlberg, died Saturday, January 1, 2022, at Prairie Lakes Hospital of Watertown.

Eleanor Mae was born January 27, 1935 near Willow Lake to parents Anna (Vick) and William Collins. She attended Hague country school and Clark High School graduating in 1954. The family moved to a farm near Clark in 1948.

On November 28, 1954 she was united in marriage to Clarence Mehlberg at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Raymond. The couple farmed in Ash Township near Raymond and retired from farming in the early 1990's. Clarence died in 1997. Eleanor continued living on the farm until 2017 when she became a resident of Wookey's Assisted Living Center in Clark.

She was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Raymond where she was a member of the Bethlehem Ladies Aid and taught Sunday School for many years. She was also a long-time member of the Helping Hands Club. Eleanor was a stay-at-home mom for many years raising her children and helping on the farm. She also raised chickens, was a potato grader, babysat the neighbor children, worked at Andy's and the Double R Bar and volunteered at the Clark nursing home for several years. She enjoyed dancing, fishing, gardening, and baking, especially her caramel rolls. Above all, Eleanor loved babysitting her grandchildren.

Grateful for having shared her life are her children, Debra Mehlberg of Watertown, Tim (Michelle) Mehlberg of Raymond, Jane Coats (Kevin Hofer) of Doland, Peggy (Phil) Hill of Broken Bow, NE and Steve Mehlberg of Raymond; thirteen grandchildren, Jessica (Geoff) Bohn, Heidi (Cody) Mehlberg, Carly (Garrett) Woodring, Jennifer Coats, Josh (Bailey) Coats, Kelcie (Eric) Westerhold, Rebeka (Bryce) Anderson, Amanda (Zack) Sanchez, Eric (Shelby) Mehlberg, Kasey (Kadie Boysen) Mehlberg, Zach Mehlberg, Paige Mehlberg, and Lindsey Mehlberg; six step-grandchildren, Jamey, Shelly, John, Erin, Dean, and Laura; nine great grandchildren, Mason, Emily, Brynn, Westyn, Hayden, Warren, Josephine, and Cassidy; brother Charles (Connie) Collins; sister-in-law, Trudy Collins; and several nieces and nephews.

Eleanor was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Clarence; mother and father-in-law, Irene and Charles Mehlberg; son-in-law, Jim Coats; great granddaughter Cora Irene Anderson, siblings Orval (Gwen), Oscar, Osmer (Doris), Dan (Pat), and Bill Collins and Violet (Clifford) Drexler and sister-in-law and brother-in-law Agnes and Kenny Board.



Celebrating the Life of Eleanor Mehlberg



Services from

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
Raymond, South Dakota
Saturday, January 8, 2022
10:30 AM

Officiant

Reverend Randy Bader

Music

Barb Wegman - Organist

"Amazing Grace" - #379

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" - #451

"Here I am Lord" - insert

Casket Bearers

All of Eleanor's Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren

Honorary Casket Bearers

Eleanor's Friends and Family & the Staff of Wookey's Assisted Living

Interment

Prairie Valley Cemetery
Raymond, South Dakota

The love of a
FAMILY
is life's greatest blessing

*Following the burial, please join the family
for lunch in the Raymond Legion Hall.*

*The family of Eleanor Mehlberg thanks you for your presence here today,
for your thoughts, prayers, and other acts of kindness shown to them.*