



Evelyn Burroughs Willett

Evelyn was born May 20, 1916, to Hulda (Zimbleman) and George Salmen on a farm near Fullerton, ND. She attended the Fullerton Consolidated School through her junior year and then attended Oakes High School, graduating in 1934. She graduated from the Normal Industrial College in Ellendale, ND. She taught eight years in rural one-room schools in North & South Dakota.

She married Leon "Jack" Burroughs of Frederick, SD, on June 6, 1941. Two children, Jerelyn and James, were born to this union. In 1956, they moved to her family farm near Fullerton, ND, where they resided until they retired in 1981. Winters were spent in Mesa, AZ. Jack died in 1991. Evelyn continued to make her winter home in Mesa, AZ. She enjoyed gardening, crocheting, quilting, playing cards, singing in the church choir, teaching Sunday school, and Bible studies.

In 1994 she married Merrill Willett. They spent their summers in Spearfish, SD, and winters in Mesa, AZ. Merrill died in 2006. In 2010, Evelyn moved to Edgewood Vista Assisted Living Center in Spearfish, and in 2017, to Dorsett Health Care.

Evelyn Burroughs Willett, 102, Spearfish, passed away on January 14, 2019.

Grateful to have shared her life are one daughter, Jerelyn (Ralph) Riemer, Spearfish; one son, James (Milly) Burroughs, Austin, MN; one sister, Anna Marie Doss, Savannah, MO; four grandchildren, Scott (Mary) Burroughs, Hopkins, MN, Amy (Jamie) Riedesel, Edwardsville, IL, Thomas (Elsbeth) Riemer, Boston, MA, and Sarah Riemer, Minneapolis, MN; and three great-grandchildren, Alexander and Meghan Burroughs and Damien Riemer.

She was preceded in death by husbands, Leon Burroughs and Merrill Willett; two brothers, Lloyd and Leslie; and two sisters, Frances and Eunice.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.



In Loving Memory Of



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The family would like to invite you to join them for fellowship and lunch following the service in the church hall. We thank you for your presence and condolences.



God's Garden Must Be Beautiful

*God looked around his garden
And found an empty space
He looked down upon the earth,
And saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you,
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
For he only takes the best.
He knew that you were weary,
And he knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would
Never be well on earth again.
He saw the roads were getting rough,
And the hills were hard to climb.
So he closed your weary eyelids,
And whispered peace be thine.*



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Born

May 20, 1916
Fullerton, North Dakota

Died

January 14, 2019
Spearfish, South Dakota

Memorial Services

Saturday, January 19, 2019, at 11:00 a.m.
St. Paul Lutheran Church
Spearfish, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Gene Bauman

Accompanist

Nancy Metz

Soloist

Dale Hemminger

Musical Selections

“Amazing Grace” “Lift High The Cross”
“Softly and Tenderly”

Inurnment

At A Later Date
Maple View Cemetery
Fullerton, North Dakota