



Olive Annette Davidson the daughter of Olaf and Anna Dilland, was born August 30, 1911 on her parent's homestead south of Tioga, in West Bank Township, Williams County, ND. Olive attended the Wolla School, a one-room country school. At age 12, she lived with her Aunt Hannah and Uncle Herman in Faribault, MN, graduating from high school in 1929. After a year of teacher training, Olive moved back to the Tioga – Williston area.

Olive married Orville Davidson, and they started raising a family. The Davidson's began farming at the beginning of the Depression and survived its many hardships. In January, 1945, the Davidson family moved to Oregon and worked in a plywood factory. In 1948, they bought a farm near Lakota, North Dakota. There were lean years on the Davidson farm again, with wheat stem rust or lack of rain ruining their last four crops. In 1954, they moved back to Williams County, eventually taking over operation of the homestead of Orville's father, Halvor Davidson. Orville was forced to retire due to a disability in 1961, moved his family to Missoula, Montana. Olive restarted her education at the University of Montana, graduating with honors in library science in 1965. Then she earned her Master's Degree in Library Science at the University of Illinois in 1967. After graduate school, she became a reference librarian and cataloguer at the U of I and worked until retiring in 1977. Olive returned to North Dakota after retiring and lived in Ray and Williston until 2011. In 2011, she moved to the Touchmark Assisted Living Community in Bismarck, North Dakota.

Olive's husband of 30 years, Orville Davidson, died in 1963. Two daughters, Marjory Davidson Hauge of Ray, ND and Joan Davidson Smith of Mountain Home, AR, preceded her in death. She is survived by two sons and a daughter, Jerry Davidson of Lakewood, CO, James Davidson of Alexandria, VA, and Lynn Davidson Chase of Las Vegas, NV; six grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren, and fourteen great great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Davidson was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

In Memory



In Memory Of
Olive Davidson

Date And Place Of Birth

August 30, 1911

Rural Tioga, North Dakota

Date And Place Of Death

June 13, 2012

Bismarck, North Dakota

Funeral Service

1:30 PM, Sunday, June 17, 2012

Trinity Lutheran Church

Tioga, North Dakota

Clergy

Pastor Sandy Anderson

Accompanist

Bernie Arcand

Special Poem

Lynn Davidson Chase

Casketbearers

Marlow Nelson

Wayne Hauge

Brandon Hauge

Jordon Hauge

Ramon Hauge

David Kupper

Interment

Trinity Lutheran Cemetery



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*There comes a time for all of us
When we must say good-bye
But faith and hope and love and trust
Can never, never die;
Although the curtain falls at last
Is that a cause to grieve?
The future's fairer than the past
If only we believe
And trust in God's eternal care –
So when the Master calls,
Let's say that life is still more fair
Although the curtain falls.*