Marie “Rolfson” Skoglund was born in 1919 on the family farm to Marselius and Ingerid (Forland) Rolfson in Garden Township, ND. Her parents were homesteaders who emigrated from Norway. She attended the Rolfson grade school and later graduated from Watford City High School in 1938. She then later attended Dickinson State College where she obtained her teaching certificate. She taught school for six years. Her first country school was the Kinning School. She also taught Sunday school for many years.

On July 26, 1947, Marie was united in marriage to John Skoglund at the Garden Lutheran Church where she had been baptized and confirmed. John and Marie farmed and raised cattle. Marie continued living on the family farm until she moved to Watford City. She became a resident of the Good Shepherd Home in 2005.

Marie’s children fondly remember her singing hymns while she did her housework. She and Johnny had a great gift of hospitality and many were welcomed over the years around the table. She enjoyed visits with friends and family all of her days. A highlight of her life was her trip to Norway to see her relatives when she was 60 years old, as she had a great interest in her heritage. Marie loved visits from her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was dearly loved and will be missed by her family and community.

Marie died Tuesday, February 26, 2013 at the McKenzie County Hospital in Watford City, ND.

John and Marie had four children: Glen (Patricia) Skoglund of Watford City; Glenda (Bob) Berg of Williston; Ralph (Debby) Skoglund of Watford City; and Marcella (Pastor Ken) Nelson of Minot, ND; thirteen grandchildren: Joshua Skoglund, Rachel (Chris) Clift, James (Carrie) Berg, John (Sara) Berg, Rebecca (Vaughn) Cornell, Daniel (Michelle) Berg, Angela (Justin) Smith, Julie (Kyle) Dragseth; Amanda (Brett) Wisness; Jena (Mike) Jenks; Johanna Nelson, Else-Marie Nelson, and Ingrid Nelson; fifteen great grandchildren: Benjamin Berg, Chelsea, Cody and Emma Berg, Kaleb and Hannah Cornell, Katelynn and Jaren Berg, Asha & Bridger Smith, Grace and Anna Dragseth, Wyatt Wisness, Brylee and Mya Jenks, and many nieces and nephews who were very special to her.

Preceding Marie in death was: her husband John in 1988; her parents, Marselius and Ingerid Rolfson; seven brothers, Marselius, Oscar, Norman, Albert, Arjker, Erling, Rasmus and her infant sister, Myrtle Christine.
"I Have a Place In Heaven"

Please don’t sing sad songs for me,
Forget your grief and fears,
For I am in a perfect place,
Away from pain and tears...
I’m far away from hunger
And hurt and want and pride.
I have a place in Heaven
With the Master at my side.
My life on earth was very good,
As earthly lives can go,
But Paradise is so much more
Than anyone can know...
My heart is filled with happiness
And sweet rejoicing, too.
To walk with God is perfect peace,
A joy forever new.

M. Kesler

IN MEMORY OF
Marie Skoglund

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH
March 28, 1919
Garden Township, North Dakota

DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH
February 26, 2013
Watford City, North Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE
11:00 AM, Monday, March 4, 2013
First Lutheran Church
Watford City, North Dakota

CLERGY
Pastor Rob Favorite

READER
Else-Marie Nelson

MUSIC
Pam Haugan

USHERS
Dale Bradley                  Royce Rolfson

CASKETBEARERS
John Berg                             Daniel Berg
James Berg                   Vaughn Cornell
Joshua Skoglund               Justin Smith

HONORARY BEARERS
Marie’s Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren
and their spouses

INTERMENT
Garden Church Cemetery
Rural Watford City, North Dakota

Lunch will be served immediately
following the services at the church

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at
www.fulkersons.com