

Doris Johnson was born on the family farm in Norstog Township, south of Watford City on September 29, 1921, the daughter of John A. and Maria (Bjelkevig) Hagen. She was raised on the family farm and first attended the Randall school and graduated from Watford City High School in 1940.

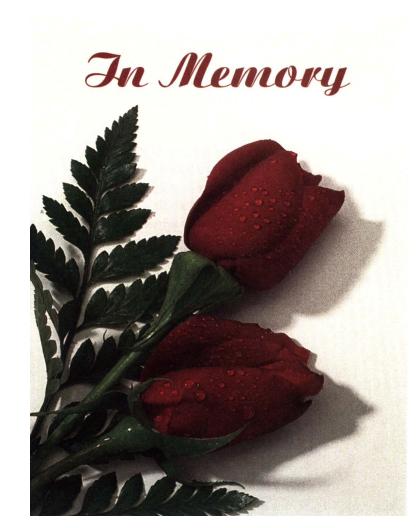
Doris was united in marriage to Dallas Johnson at Fairview, MT on December 18, 1941. To this union two children, Duane and Darlene were born. The fam-

ily first made their home on the Stutrud ranch, south of Watford City for a time, and then moved into Watford City where they raised their children and later moved to the Nygaard farm before settling in Watford City permanently. Doris always enjoyed working as she did on the farm and worked out of the house at several locations in Watford City, City Cleaners, Piggly Wiggly Grocery Store, The Clothes Basket, Hanna Insurance, the 4 Eyes Motel and eventually the Watford City Senior Center were places of employment that kept Doris well connected with the people of Watford City. She retired at the age of 85.

She was a member of Spring Creek Lutheran Church, Ladies Aide, Homemakers, quilting guild, and she enjoyed knitting, crochet and playing word find games.

She is survived by her son, Duane, of Watford City, ND, daughter, Darlene (Ross) Birney, of Bismarck, ND, grandchildren; Nathan Sivertson and his children Derrick, Cody, Sadie and Natasha, Jodi (John) Wick and their children, Cameron, Justin and Allisa, stepgrandsons, Jason Sivertson and friend Toni Defoe and their children, Tyler, Colton and Tadan, Eric Birney and Dana (Lavonne) Birney, step granddaughter, Dana (Wade) Wold and their child, Kira and one sister Mildred Gifstad, of Watford City, ND.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Dallas, one sister, Della Johnson and two brothers; Manual and Orville.



## When I Must Leave You

I must leave you for a little while Please do not grieve and shed wild tears And hug your sorrow to you through the years, But start out bravely with a gallant smile-For my sake and in my name live on and do all things the same, Feed not your loneliness on empty days, But fill each waking hour in useful ways, Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near; And never, never be afraid to die, For I am waiting for you in the sky!

# In Memory Of

Doris A. Johnson

## Date And Place Of Birth

September 29, 1921 Norstog Township, McKenzie County, North Dakota

## Date And Place Of Death

August 12, 2009 Watford City, North Dakota

#### Funeral Service

11:00 am, Monday, August 17, 2009 First Lutheran Church Watford City, North Dakota

## Clergy

Pastoral Assistant Rob Favorite

#### Musician

Duane Sanford

#### Casketbearers

Terry Sherven Al Berg Kelly Olson Darwin Johnson Kurt Hovet Donald Hagen

## Honorary Casketbearers

Her Homemaker's Club

#### Interment

Spring Creek Cemetery Watford City, North Dakota