



*God's finger touched her and she slipped away
From earth's dark shadows to a brighter day;
God saw the road was getting rough,
The hills were hard to climb;
He gently closed her weary eyes,
And whispered, "Peace be thine."
To a beautiful garden this friend has gone,
To a land of perfect rest;
Though she is gone she still lives on
In the garden of memory.*

In Loving Memory Of
Betty Ann Poppe

Entered This Life
October 30, 1932

Departed This Life
February 4, 2021

88 years ~ 3 months ~ 5 days

Funeral Service

Tuesday, February 9, 2021 ~ 2:00 p.m.
St. John Lutheran Church ~ Chester, Nebraska

Officiating

Pastor Robert Hopkins

Organist

Karol Wassom

Musical Selections

"How Great Thou Art" #801

"On Eagle's Wings" #727

"I Know My Redeemer Lives" #461

Casket Bearers

Daniel Poppe ~ Steven Poppe ~ Nathan Poppe
Benjamin Rauert ~ Russell Gibbs ~ Ruth Gibbs
Allen Buck ~ Kyle Bowers

Committal

St. John Lutheran Cemetery ~ rural Chester

Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home, Belleville
www.tibbettsfischerfuneralhome.com

Betty Ann Poppe, the daughter of Arthur and Anna Matilda "Tillie" (Harmes) Vorderstrasse, was born on October 30, 1932, near Stoddard, Nebraska. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith, and graduated from Chester High School.

Betty was united in marriage to Alvin Fredrick William Poppe on December 11, 1955, at the St. John Lutheran Church in Chester. To this union of 55 years, three children were born, Daniel, Steven and Ruth.

Betty was a very active member of the St. John Lutheran Church, where she was a Sunday School teacher, church organist, choir leader, and member of the Ladies Aide. She also enjoyed sewing, needle work and crocheting in her free time.

Being a mother and farm wife were the most important parts of her life, and she could always be found side by side with Alvin on the farm, driving grain trucks and tractors, fixing meals, home plumbing repairs...there was no project she wouldn't tackle.

Betty passed away with her family at her side, on February 4, 2021, at the age of 88 years, 3 months and 5 days.

She is preceded in death by her husband Alvin, her parents, son-in-law Dave Rauert, grandson Opie Rauert, sister Lorene Jagels and her husband Raymond, brothers-in-law Elwin Schroeder and Marvin Monter, Norman Poppe, Willis Poppe, Herman Dutton, sisters-in-law Leora Grafelmann and her husband Clarence, Luella Kapperman and her husband Fred.

Betty will be forever remembered by her children; son Daniel Poppe and friend Melody of Chester, son Steven Poppe and his wife Cindy of Chester, daughter Ruth Gibbs and her husband Russell of Grand Island; grandchildren, Shawna Bowers and her husband Kyle, and their children Lane, Micah and Reagan; Rachael Buck and her husband Allen, and their children Vivian, Everett and Evelyn; Nathan Poppe and his wife Lia and their daughter Henleigh; and Benjamin Rauert and his wife Lyndsey, and their son to be born soon. Betty is also survived by her sisters, Marilyn Schroeder and Elaine Monter, and sisters-in-law LaVila Poppe, Helen Poppe, and Bernice Dutton.

*To every thing there is a season,
and a time to every purpose
under the heaven:*

*A time to be born,
and a time to die....*

*A time to weep,
and a time to laugh;*

*a time to mourn,
and a time to dance.*

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2, 4

