Once Upon a Child-hood

Once upon a child-hood when we were young and small, we'd gather round the table, and we were "wall to wall."

Cooking pots were overflowin', there was always lots to eat, one thing that we didn't know, macaroni wasn't meat.

No-one, left the table hungry, mama seen to that, sometimes there weren't enough leftovers, to even feed the cat.

Then we would go out and play and if we were real good, we'd watch Papa chop the blocks and we'd carry in the wood.

Mama did the cooking, Luella swept the floor, Evelyn did the dishes, and I would guard the door. I had to guard the door because of Matta, don't you know, whenever Papa went to work, Matta wanted to go.

Maurice, Don, and Larry, were all gone from home by then, Maurice was in the Army, the others, working men.

Janet didn't do to much of anything, as I recall, except to pick on Lorraine and Mae and always made them bawl.

Then I would have to go outside to help Lorraine and Mae, I'd give Janet dirty looks until she'd go away.

Mae was always pretty quiet, never making too much noise, but as she grew to woman-hood, she really liked the boys.

Lorraine was spoiled quite rotten, until Gordy came along, she thought that he was shipped to us, by Larry, from Hong Kong.

When Gordy was real little, before he learned to walk, he spent his first two years of life, standing on a crock.

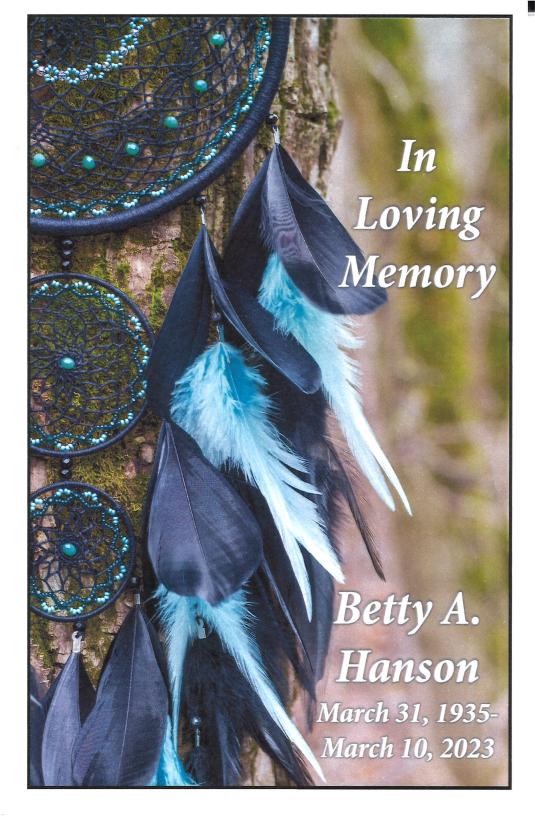
Now that we are all grown up and gone our separate ways, we each have our own memories, of those happy days.

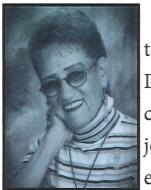
Mama is still with us, but we all miss Papa so, for God called him to heaven seventeen years ago.

We know that he is waiting, he'll see us by and by, when we join our hands together, in our home up in the sky.

by Betty A. Hanson

8-26-87





Betty was the 6th of 11 children born to Matt and Clothhilde "Mae" Werven. During her very full life of raising 6 children and having many different jobs, she was finally able to slow down enough to do things she enjoyed, her

crafts. She did wood carvings, painted, made outhouses and birdhouses, and made many, many potholders. If she knew you and you had a birthday coming up, you were sure to get a set. She had a very giving heart and was loved by all who knew her.

Betty is survived by: Steven (Judy) Thordarson, Casselton, ND, Cindi (Mitchell) Croaker, Kindred, ND, Sandra (Larry) Latozke, Cavalier, ND, Gary (Janell) Thordarson, Crookston, MN, Randy (Leslie) Thordarson, Grand Forks, ND, many grandchildren, greatgrandchildren, greatgrandchildren and her remaining brothers and sisters.

Preceding her in death are her son, Owen "Chuck" Thordarson, and her brothers and sisters.

Betty A. Hanson, 87, of Cavalier, ND, passed away Friday, March 10, 2023, after a long battle with lung cancer.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 - 1:00 p.m. Askew Funeral Home Cavalier, North Dakota

CLERGY

Rev. Beth Peterson

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Amazing Grace"
Linda Werven, Soloist
Barb Puppe, Accompanist
"Go Rest High On That Mountain"
Kirby Brandhagen, Soloist

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

All of Betty's Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren

INTERMENT

Peter's Cemetery Svold, North Dakota