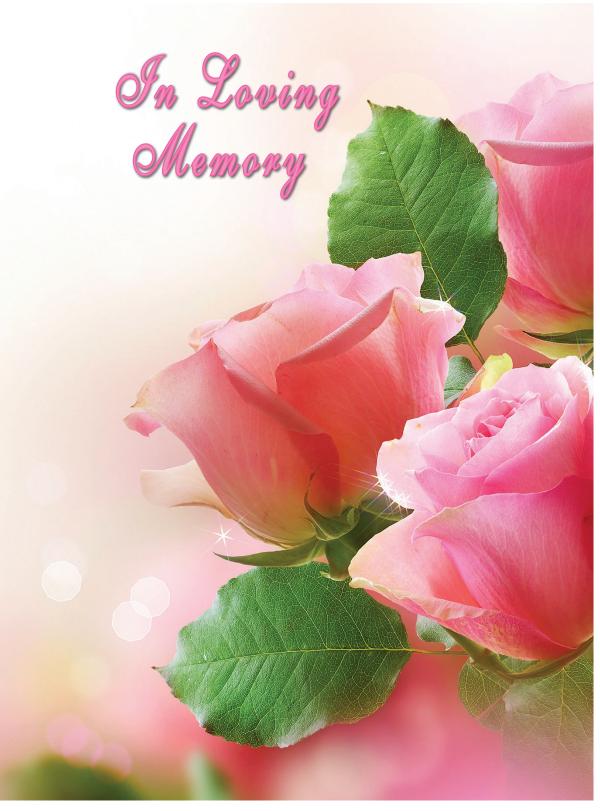
God's finger touched her And she slipped away From earth's dark shadows To a brighter day God saw the road was getting rough The hills were hard to climb He gently closed her weary eyes, And whispered, "Peace be thine" To a beautiful garden This friend has gone To a land of perfect rest Though she is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







**Alwine Vetter**, age 88, of Bismarck, passed away on Thursday, October 8, 2020 at CHI St. Alexius with her husband and daughter by her side.

Alwine was born to Eva (Dockter) and August Gienger in Neudorf, Odessa, Ukraine, Russia on Leap Day, February 29, 1932. She was smaller than a wine bottle. The Russian government recorded her date of birth as March 1. Between the family

migration from Russia through Poland and into Germany, her birthdate got translated to May 1. "May is a nice month, too," she told her mother.

Alwine worked several jobs in Germany including as a waitress, nanny, shoemaker, and knitter. In 1959, she and her family joined her two older sisters who had immigrated to North Dakota a few years ahead of them. She lived with her parents on Anderson Street in Bismarck with a brief stint in American Falls, Idaho. Alwine worked as a cook at the Baptist Home, walking to and from until she got her driver's license and Chevy II.

On November 29, 1969 Alwine married Elias Vetter in Linton. They adopted their daughter, Caroline, in 1974. Moving to Underwood in the spring of 1978, they remained there until moving to Bismarck in 2007. She had a green thumb, a golden spoon ("Kochlöffel"), a silver needle, and a beautiful heart. She was Eli's "fishing buddy."

Alwine is survived by her husband of 50 years, Elias; daughter, Caroline and son-in-law Tony Kozojed; grandson, Anton and granddaughter, Claire Alwine; sisters, Emma Boehm, Lilli (Melvin) Wohl, and Eva Heyne; sisters-in-law, Johanna Vetter, Isabelle (Valentine) Vetter, MaryElla Vetter, & Tillie Vetter; and many loving nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; siblings, August (Alenda), Kathe (Emanuel) Loebs, Otto, Jacob, and Adam; Eddy Boehm and Marvin Heyne as well as many additional brothers-and sisters-in-law.

Please go to www.BuehlerLarson.com to share memories of Alwine.

Private Family Rosary / Parish Vi	<b>gil</b> Monday, October 12, 2020; 4:00 pm
Vigil Presider	Deacon Tony Ternes
Funeral Liturgy	Tuesday, October 13, 2020; 10:00 am Cathedral of the Holy Spirit 519 Raymond Street, Bismarck, ND
Celebrant	Fr. Josh Ehli
Musicians	Shana Klee & Vance Krebs
Reader	Barbara Walsvik
Casketbearers M	Anton Kozojed, Robert Heyne, Lee Boehm yron Boehm, Norman Boehm, & John Boehm
Processional Hymn	"Here I Am, Lord"
Litu	rgy of the Word
Opening Prayer	
Old Testament	Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9
Response	Psalm 103
"The Lord	is kind and merciful."
New Testament	Revelation 14:13
Gospel	John 14:1-6
Homily	
Liturg	y of the Eucharist
Preparation of Gifts	"Prayer of St. Francis"
Consecration of Eucharist	
Communion Song	"Be Not Afraid"
Final Commendation	"Song of Farewell"
Closing Song	"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

Committal will take place at approximately 12:30 pm at St. Anthony's Cemetery in Linton.

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