Gladys Levon Carlson was born on August 2, 1924, in Litchfield, Minnesota, the daughter of Victor and Stella (Hanson) Blomquist. She grew up on a farm North of Kandiyohi and graduated from District #33 school in Kandiyohi in 1942. She worked as a bank teller in Kandiyohi for a few years. On June 12, 1948, Gladys was united in marriage to Lester Carlson and to this union, they were blessed with two sons. They lived and farmed near Atwater. Lester passed away in 1993. Gladys continued to live on the farm and later moved into Atwater and then to Willmar.

She was a life-long member of Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Kandiyohi. She was active in the Ladies Circle and was a very faithful member her entire life. Gladys enjoyed being hospitable, always serving meals and visiting with friends and neighbors. She was known for her delicious popovers and other baked treats. She especially enjoyed playing Scrabble, games and telling jokes and riddles. She had a sharp mind and excellent hearing.

Gladys passed away on Thursday, March 21, at CentraCare Rice Memorial Hospital in Willmar at the age of 99.

Gladys is survived by her two sons, Loren Carlson (and special friend, Melody Goodall) of Atwater and Gary (and Chris) Carlson of Atwater; three grandchildren, Michelle (and Troy) Grund, Julie Carlson and Jamie (and Kristen) Carlson; four great-grandchildren, ShaeLynn, Asher, Leo and Kevin, besides other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two brothers and a granddaughter, Lisa in 2023.

Celebrating the Life of



Gladys L. Carlson

1924 - 2024

In Loving Memory Of

Gladys L. Carlson

August 2, 1924 Litchfield, Minnesota

March 21, 2024 Willmar, Minnesota

Celebration of Life Service

Wednesday, March 27, 2024 - 11:00 a.m. Ebenezer Evangelical Lutheran Church Kandiyohi, Minnesota

Prelude

Welcome and Gathering Pastor Sherri Larson

Special Music "Beyond The Sunset"

Thanksgiving for Baptism
Greeting and Prayer of the Day

Congregational Hymn "How Great Thou Art" ELW #856

Reading of the Obituary Joan Peterson, friend and member of Ebenezer

Scripture Readings - Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 & II Timothy 4:6b-8

Dianne Robison, friend and member of Ebenezer

Gospel Reading - John 14:1-7

Pastor Sherri Larson

Congregational Hymn "Because He Lives"

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Sermon

Pastor Sherri Larson

Congregational Hymn "Amazing Grace"

ELW #779

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Apostles' Creed, Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Congregational Hymn "In The Garden"

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Sending Postlude

Musicians

Carol Benson Kristine Benson

Active Casketbearers

Delton Peterson Steve Robison Eric Struck
Larry Redepenning Dale Latterell Myron Bengtson

Honorary Casketbearer

Delwin Mahn

Interment

Cloverleaf Memorial Park Cemetery Willmar, Minnesota

Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not want...

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters...

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake...

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over...

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Peterson Brothers Juneral Home "Celebrating A Life Remembered"