

Remembering the Life....

Rhoda Marcella Hawkinson was born on February 27, 1925, in Glen, Minnesota the daughter of John and Della (Storm) Johnson. She graduated from Aitkin High School in 1943, then furthered her education at Swedish Hospital School of Nursing in Minneapolis graduating in 1946, as a Registered Nurse. Rhoda worked as an Assistant Head Nurse in the nursery at the Swedish Hospital before her marriage.

On June 28, 1947, she was united in marriage to Robert F. Hawkinson at the First Lutheran Church of Aitkin. From 1947-1952 they served the Salem Lutheran Church of Wolverton and the Clara Lutheran Church of Comstock. From 1952-1988, they served three parishes, Zion Lutheran Church of Amor, Eagle Lake Lutheran Church of rural Battle Lake and Grace Lutheran Church of Henning. Rhoda did some specialized nursing and in 1976, she began working at the Battle Lake Nursing Home for eighteen years before retiring. They were instrumental in organizing the building of Faith Haven Youth Camp on Eagle Lake. Rhoda is a member of Eagle Lake Lutheran Church. She enjoyed cooking, writing letters, reading and especially enjoyed her family.

On Tuesday, November 8, 2022, Rhoda passed away with her family by her side, at PioneerCare in Fergus Falls, Minnesota ninety-seven years.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Robert; daughter, Susan Rucker; two grandchildren, Amy Salvevold and Jeffrey Salvevold children of Gary and Linne'; parents, John and Della Johnson; three sisters, Rowena, Ebba and Elin; four brothers, Harris, Ronald, Dr. Elmer and his wife Ardith and Wilbert Johnson and his wives, Virginia and Genevieve.

Her family includes three daughters, Laela (David) Salvevold of Moorhead, Linne' (Gary) Salvevold of Fergus Falls and Linda (Lowell) Salvevold of Dalton; thirteen grandchildren; thirty-four great-grandchildren; seven great-great grandchildren; along with numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

Blessed be the Memory of Rhoda Hawkinson

In Memory of our Angel



Rhoda



Broken Chain

*We little knew that day,
God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death, we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you.
You did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.
You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide.
And although we cannot see you,
You are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.*

In Loving Memory Of **Rhoda M. Hawkinson**

February 27, 1925 ~ November 8, 2022

Funeral Service

Monday, November 21, 2022 at 11:00 AM
Eagle Lake Lutheran Church
Rural Battle Lake, Minnesota

Officiating

Pastor Ben Durbin

Scripture

Pastor Chris Salvevold

Music

Myrna Vanwatermulen, organist
"Just A Closer Walk With Thee" Eagle Lake Choir
"Amazing Grace" Aaliyah Mixteco, great-granddaughter
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Joey & Rory
"Home" Gaither Vocal Band

Casketbearers

Rhoda's Grandchildren
Lisa Schilling ~ Julie Bennes ~ Greg Salvevold
Ann Marie Vitale ~ Scott Salvevold
Michael Salvevold ~ Chris Salvevold ~ Brenda Huglen
Tim Salvevold ~ Joshua Rucker
Sarah Johanson ~ Rachael Mixteco ~ Katie Rucker

Interment

Eagle Lake Lutheran Cemetery, Rural Battle Lake, Minnesota

Appreciation

Rhoda's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Please join family and friends for lunch and fellowship following the service.

Arrangements by

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