

Spring Garden

So when I looked at those flowers, I was looking at God. For they blossomed in His sun, and grew in His sod. And each lovely flower was a "voice from above," that whispered a message of kindness and love. For I feel in my heart, and I know you do, too, That God speaks to us all through the kind things we do. And when I looked at those flowers, I couldn't help but feel, that they brought heaven nearer and made God so real.

~ Helen Steiner Rice~







Ardella Schwagler, 82, New Salem, died March 19, 2018, at Elm Crest Manor.

Ardella was born June 14, 1935, in Beulah to August and Louise (Scherer) Christian. She attended school through the eighth grade. On April 25, 1959, she married Robert Schwagler at Zion Lutheran Church in New Salem. Ardella worked for the Morton County Soil Conservation District and later managed Sunset Motel with Robert for five years. She was an active member of Zion Lutheran Church, LWML of Zion

Lutheran, Miles Around Homemakers, and Red Hat Club. Always happy and outgoing, Ardella loved flowers and gardening. She enjoyed playing cards with her siblings and nieces. Ardella loved her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Her most precious times were those spent with her children and their families, especially holidays with everyone.

Blessed to have shared her life is her husband of 59 years, Robert Schwagler, New Salem; daughter, Kristie (Rick) Baldridge, St. Michael, MN; sons, Rocky Schwagler, Forsyth, MT, and Todd (Sharon) Schwagler, Mandan; seven grandchildren, Ashley (DJ) Wessel, Andrew Baldridge, Kaitlyn (Ben) Wolden, Lindsey, Blake, and Luke Schwagler, and Eric Lawrence; six great grandchildren, Grayson and Emma Grace Wessel, Zayden Schwagler, and Landon, Lane, and Lance Lawrence; three brothers, Loren Christian, Marlen (Sheila) Christian, and Randy (Linda) Christian, all of New Salem; two sisters-in-law, Evelyn Schwagler and Linda Schwagler, both of New Salem; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Ardella was preceded in death by her parents; in-laws, Leopold and Christine Schwagler; sister-in-law, Mary Christian; brothers-in-law, Edgar and Lester Schwagler; sister and brother-in-law, Della (Arnold) Flegel; and nephew, Darrin Schwagler.

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

IN LOVING MEMORY

Ardella Schwagler

JUNE 14, 1935 ~ MARCH 19, 2018

Funeral Service

Friday, March 23, 2018; 11:00 am Zion Lutheran Church New Salem, North Dakota

Officiant

Rev. Russell Fitch

Organist

Brenda Winckler

Honorary Casketbearers

Her Friends in the Red Hat Society, Allen Scherer, Leonard Heid, Rodney Unruh, Marvin Schulz, Eddy Bickel, Norman Eggers, Darren Christian, and Evan Christian

Casketbearers

Tim Schwagler, Blake Schwagler, Luke Schwagler, Eric Lawrence, Andrew Baldridge, Alan Christian, and Aldon Christian

Lutheran Service Book, page 278

Processional Hymn "Just As I Am" p.570

First Reading Hebrews 12:1-2

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel St. John 14:1-7

Hymn "How Great Thou Art" p.801

Recessional Hymn "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" p.461

The family invites you for lunch and fellowship at the church immediately following the funeral service.

Committal will take place later in the spring at Zion Lutheran Cemetery.