Delores Ione Paasch was born on July 26, 1933, in Makoti, North Dakota to William and Sophia (Schutz) Rau. She was baptized in Max, North Dakota and the family moved to Erdahl, Minnesota when she was a young girl. Delores was confirmed at Erdahl Lutheran Church. She graduated high school in Elbow Lake and worked as a waitress in Elbow Lake.

Delores was united in marriage to Erwin Paasch on April 25, 1953, at Erdahl Lutheran Church in Erdahl. To this union the couple was blessed with three children, Duane, Alan, and Lori. The family lived on the farm near Mount Carmel until they moved to Alexandria in 1973. Delores began cleaning homes for families and afterhours for U.S. Bank in Alexandria, continuing with housekeeping for many years. She also worked with Senior Companion for nearly 20 years. One of Delores' favorite jobs was taking care of her grandchildren. She loved the time she had with them.

Delores enjoyed gardening, dancing, playing cards (especially Whist), playing the pump organ and piano by ear, traveling, lutefisk, being with people, and helping with church luncheons.

Delores died on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at Alomere Health in Alexandria at the age of 89. She is survived by her son, Duane of Alexandria; son-in-law, Harold Koep of Alexandria; six grandchildren, Stacy (Chad Olson) Paasch, Kayla, Kalan, and Kendon Koep, and Shane and Shayna Hagen; great grandson, Ty Paasch; and numerous nieces and nephews. Delores is preceded in death by her husband, Ervin; son, Alan Paasch; daughter, Lori Koep; granddaughter, Karina Koep; parents, William and Sophia; step-brothers, Robert Hodges and Richard Hodges; and step-sister, Lucille Dahlen.

The Day God Called You Home

God looked around His garden and found an empty space.

Then He looked down upon the earth and saw your tired face.

He put his arms around you, lifted you to rest.

God's garden must be beautiful, for He only takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering.

He knew you were in pain.

He saw the road was getting rough,
and the hills were hard to climb.

So He closed your weary eyes,
and whispered, "Peace be thine".

It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone. For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.

In Loving Memory



*Delores I. Paasch*1933 ~ 2023

In Memory of

Delores I. Paasch

July 26, 1933 **†** March 7, 2023

Funeral Service

Bethesda Lutheran Church Alexandria, Minnesota Monday, March 13, 2023 11:00 AM

Officiant

Reverend Jerry Lanes

Organist

Mark Graff

Soloist

Kayla Koep

Casket Bearers

Duane Paasch Stacy Paasch Kalan Koep Harold Koep Kayla Koep Kendon Koep

Honorary Casket Bearers Delores' Grandchildren

Delores' Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

Interment

Erdahl, Minnesota

