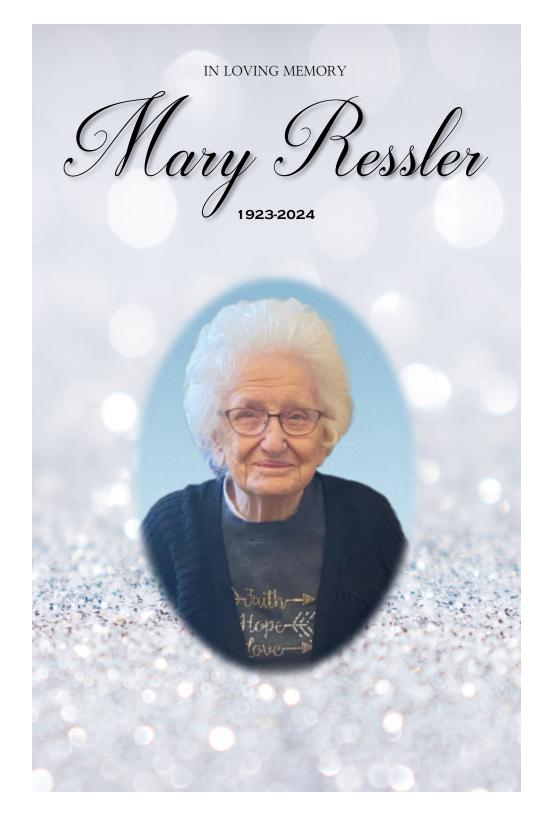


Safely Home

I am home in heaven, dear ones; oh, so happy and so bright! There is a perfect joy and beauty in the everlasting light. All the pain and grief is over, every restless tossing passed; I am now at peace forever, safely home in heaven at last. There is work still waiting for you, so you must not idly stand, do it now, while life remainethyou shall rest in God's own land. When that work is all completed, He will gently call you Home; oh, the rapture of that meeting oh, the joy to see you come!







Mary Ressler, 101, died peacefully of natural causes at St. Vincent's Care Center with her family at her bedside on 9/11/2024. Mary lived through many eras, saw many changes in the world and has outlived all her siblings. She would say "I love life." She demonstrated her love for life in her 101 years with us by her devotion to her faith and endless love for her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren.

Mary was born March 13, 1923, in rural Morton County to Daniel and Rosa Morrell. She was the one of 5 children that lived on the family farm. She would talk of helping her mother with housework, while her brothers helped her dad with the farm. She talked of neighbors and going to dances. When her parents moved to Mandan, she resided with her parents and worked at the Golden West Laundromat until she was married.

On October 22,1946, she married Matt Ressler. Mary and Matt began their life as a married couple on her parents' farm. Mary spoke openly about farm life not being for her, she was truly a city girl. She loved the idea of moving to Mandan and having neighbors very close. As a housewife and mother of 3 children; Jeanette, Sandy and Kevin, she spent her days caring for her family as a Christian mother and devoted wife. Her children attended Catholic school, her husband, Matt, provided for the family, and they enjoyed this simple beautiful life. When her children were out of the house, Mary began to work as a housekeeper and a demo lady for Cass Clay and Cashwise. She enjoyed getting out and visiting with people. Her and Matt would play cards with friends, go on bus trips, spend time with family and devote endless hours to their children and grandchildren. Mary was considered an expert by her family at getting stains out of their clothes, making cheese dip, and having the best snacks at her house. Nobody could do things better than Gramma Mary.

Mary is survived by Jeanette Fergel, Mandan, Sandy Boehm, Mandan (Tim Boehm), Kevin Ressler (Kim Ressler), Mandan, nine grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, and four great great grandchildren.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents Dan and Rosa (Hatzenbuhler) Morrell, husband Matt A. Ressler, and brothers Joe, John, Jack, and Sebastian Morrell, three sister-in-laws, and a son-in-law Alex Fergel.

Parish Rosary & Vigil Sunday | September 15, 2024 | 4:00 PM

Weigel Funeral Home | Mandan, ND

Deacon Randy Frohlich Presider **Funeral Liturgy**

Monday | September 16, 2024 | 1:30 PM

St. Joseph's Catholic Church Mandan, ND

Celebrant Fr. Josh Waltz

Musicians Regina McLain & Mary Sammons

"The Old Rugged Cross" Prelude **Opening Song** "Be Not Afraid"

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 Lector Lindsey Slappy Responsorial Psalm Psalm 27

"The Lord is my light and my salvation."

New Testament Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Lector Tracy Follman Gospel Reading Matthew 5:1-12a

Homily

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts Song "On Eagle's Wings" Presentation of Gifts Tonya Markel | Andrew Fergel

> Kendra Markel | Colton Markel Kaylee Markel | Connor Follman

Eucharistic Prayer

Communion Song "I Am The Bread Of Life" "Hail Mary; Gentle Woman" Communion Meditation "In Paradisum/May Angels Guide You" Final Commendation "How Great Thou Art" **Closing Song**

Casket Bearers

Craig Boehm | David Markel | Ryan Ressler | Jermece Slappy Steve Fergel | Scott Fergel

Honorary Bearers

Mary's Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren, and Great Grandchildren

Following the burial, the family invites you for food and fellowship at the Mandan Eagle's Club, 1400 Collins Ave.

Graveside Service

Mandan Union Cemetery