

Elvira Louise (Mattson) Blank was born on October 3, 1917, in Alexandria Township, Douglas County, Minnesota to Louis and Gertrude (Green) Mattson. She was baptized and confirmed at Fahlun Lutheran Church north of Nelson. Elvira graduated with the class of 1937, in Alexandria.

On October 25, 1938, Elvira was united in marriage to Friebert Blank at the First Lutheran Church Parsonage in Alexandria. The couple were blessed with eight children. Elvira was a farmer's wife, homemaker and also cared for Friebert's Dad, August Blank.

At a young age, Elvira was taught to play the piano by her father which she enjoyed all her life; playing her favorite hymns in her spare time. She enjoyed cooking, baking, sewing, and canning foods. Elvira traveled the United States extensively and her beloved Sweden twice. She was a longtime member of Fahlun Lutheran Church, where she was very active.

Elvira died on Monday, May 15, 2023, at her home in Miliona at the age of 105. She is survived by her children, Vivian Blank, Paul Blank, Daniel (Kathy) Blank, Marilyn (Art) Coleman, Roger (Julie) Blank, Joel Blank, Karla (Brian) Myres; nine grandchildren, Greg Blank, Kris Blank, Stewart Blank, Cindy Blank, Patrick Coleman, Shannon Edler, Alicia Klimek, Patricia Wiitanen, Grant Myres, Kevin Myres, and David Myres; nineteen great-grandchildren, nine great-great-grandchildren; sister, Helen McClellan; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins; and many many friends. Elvira is preceded in death by her parents, Louis and Gertrude; husband, Friebert Blank; son, Douglas Blank; grandson, Andrew Blank; step-grandson, Jimmy McClure; brothers, Rudolph, John Peter, Karl, and Clifford Mattson; sisters, Ruth Dusenbery, and Clara Mae Hermsen.



Elvira L. Blank

October 3, 1917 ~ May 15, 2023

In Memory of

Elvira L. Blank

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Memorial Service
Fahlun Lutheran Church
Nelson, Minnesota
Friday, May 19, 2023
11:00 AM



*A wife, a mother, a nanny too,
This is the legacy we have from you.
You taught us love and how to fight,
You gave us strength, you gave us might.
A stronger person would be hard to find,
And in your heart, you were always kind.
You fought for us all in one way or another,
Not just as a wife not just as a mother.
For all of us you gave your best,
Now the time has come for you to rest.
So go in peace, you've earned your sleep,
Your love in our hearts,
we'll eternally keep.*

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Officiant
Reverend Jeremy Pedersen

Organist
Barb Sather

Music
Lord Of All Hopefulness
Living For Jesus
Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Honorary Urn Bearers
Elvira's Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren
and Great-Great-Grandchildren

Interment
Carlos Prairie Cemetery
Carlos, Minnesota