

Mayme Eleanore Olson was born on March 16, 1924, the daughter of Edwin and Mabel (Severson) Olson at her maternal grandparent's farm near Barrett, MN. She was born prematurely weighing only 3 pounds but never spent a day in the hospital. She was baptized when she was 2 days old by Reverend Iver Sandberg of Our Savior Church in Barrett. She was wrapped in cotton and kept in the warming oven of the kitchen stove.

When she was 2 years old they moved to the Garfield-Alexandria area where a brother and sister joined the family. Mayme attended country school district 8 in Moe Township for a short time. The family then moved to the Severson Farm near Barrett. She attended school district 32 in Elk Lake Township. When she was in the 8th grade, she won the Grant County Spelling Championship which entitled her to a trip to the State Competition at the Minnesota State Fair.

Mayme attended Barrett High School for 3 years when she was diagnosed with tuberculosis. She spent 2 years at the Ah-Gwah-Ching Sanitarium near Walker, MN. She returned to school graduating in 1945 as Co-Valedictorian. She furthered her education by attending the Minnesota School of Business in Minneapolis for 9 months. Her first job was in Spokane, Washington where she stayed with an aunt, uncle and cousin. Returning to Minnesota in 1948 she worked at various businesses, Central Construction of Wilmar, A.P. Hustad Co.; Douglas County Treasurer.

She began her banking career at 1st Farmers National Bank and Alexandria Bank & Trust. When a charter was issued for a new bank, she was one of the workers who opened Community State Bank in 1972. She worked at Norwest and Wells Fargo Bank for 23 years before retiring in 1995.

Mayme loved watching Minnesota Twins Baseball, Alexandria Cardinal Basketball and Baseball, the Alexandria Clippers and playing Bingo.

Mayme moved to Nelson Gables and wore a different hat every day. She spent her last years in the care of the Knute Nelson Care Center.

Mayme is survived by her brother Vernon Olson; sister Luella (Olson) Vendell and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister-in-law Ruby Olson, brother-in-law Otto Vendell, niece Susan (Olson) Quiram and nephew Randy Olson.

A Public viewing will be held on Wednesday June 10th from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. A private Family Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. The service will also be live-streamed via the Anderson Funeral Home.

Anderson Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

In Loving Memory



Mayme E. Olson 1924 - 2020

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 Memory of

Mayme Eleanore Olson

March 16, 1924



May 30, 2020

Funeral Service

Anderson Funeral Chapel
Alexandria, Minnesota

Wednesday, June 10, 2020
2:00 PM

Officiant

Reverend Greg Billberg

Casket Bearers

John Jacobson	Kyle Paulson
Jon Bommersbach	Casey Paulson
Patrick Johnson	Dominic Vendell
Jeremy Paulson	Mike Reed

Honorary Casket Bearers

Stacey Jacobson	Angela Lyste
Lindsey Bommersbach	Lea Reed

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery
Alexandria, Minnesota