

**Hilda Renken**, 92, Mandan, passed away Thursday, November 30, 2023, at Sanford Hospital in Bismarck.

Hilda was born March 29, 1931, on the family farm northeast of Elgin, ND to August and Mathilda (Sprenger) Finck. She was the eighth of 11 children. From a young age, Hilda worked hand and hand with her Pa in the fields and barn chores. Hard work was what Hilda knew how to do best.

On May 5, 1948, Hilda married Harry W. Renken in Beach, ND. To this union they were blessed with three children, Gerald “Jerry” Renken in 1949, Colene in 1954, and Barbara in 1962.

Hilda and Harry had many adventures over the years, working and traveling in most of the western part of the United States. They moved back to North Dakota in 1954, to purchase a farm northwest of Shields. Together Hilda and Harry worked hard to make their farm, milking cows and putting up hay. They lived there until 2004, when they moved to Liberty Heights in Mandan. This was a short stay for Harry who passed away in 2005.

Hilda was proud of her home in Mandan. With her background of working hard, she always made sure when she started something she finished it.

The smile on her face when someone came to visit was over the top and she hated to see you leave. Family was very important to her; she wished she could have seen them more. But she knew that their lives were busy like when she was on the farm and had to get back for chores.

Hilda is survived by her daughters, Colene (Jerry) Dworshak of Nebraska and Barbara Carl (Michael Jackson) of Texas; grandchildren, Clint (Mary) Renken, Chad Renken, Cody Renken, Sherri (Bill) Brown, Jeremy Dworshak, Alicia (Tyler) Glesne, William (Cori) Carl, and Christina Cano; 19 great grandchildren; 1 great-great grandchild; brother, LeRoy (Ann) Finck; sisters, Bernice Mueller and Norma (Stan) Nelson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Hilda was preceded in death by her husband, Harry; son and daughter-in-law, Gerald “Jerry” (Sandy) Renken; grandson, Christopher Dworshak; parents, August and Mathilda Finck; siblings, Solomon (Eleanor), Alma (John) Berreth, Edna (Elmer) Schrammen, Edgar (Eva), Curtis (Sylvia), Ruth (Leo) Renken, and August Jr; and brother-in-law, Fred Mueller.

***In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Morton County Council on Aging (Meals on Wheels), 301 15<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Mandan, ND, 58554.***

*Please go to [www.WeigelFuneral.com](http://www.WeigelFuneral.com) to share memories of Hilda.*

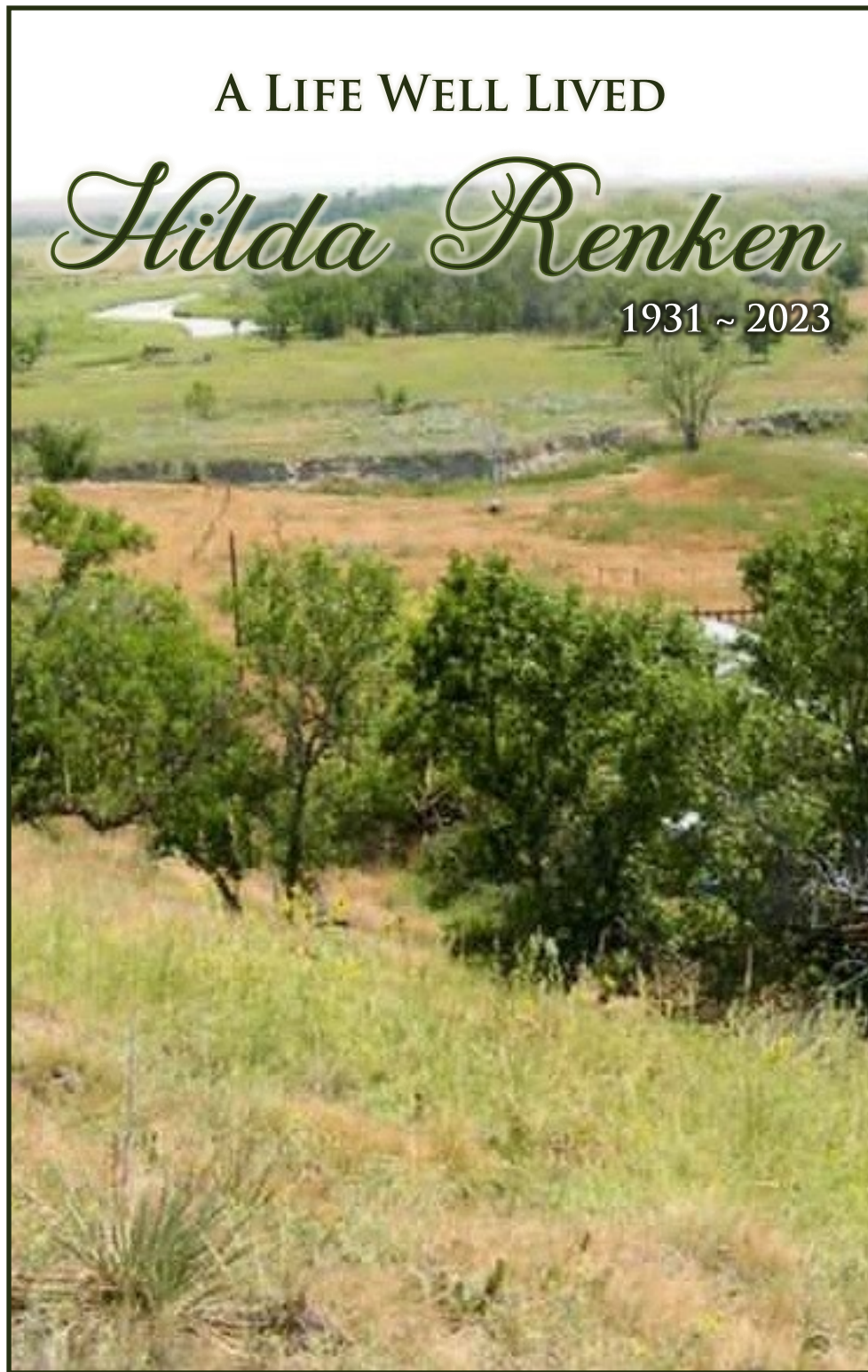
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A LIFE WELL LIVED

*Hilda Renken*

1931 ~ 2023





~ *Twenty Third Psalm* ~  
*The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul;  
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness  
For His name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me;  
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me;  
Thou preparest a table before me  
in the presence of mine enemies;  
Thou anointest my head with oil,  
my cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall  
follow me all the days of my life;  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

**Funeral Service**

Thursday, December 7, 2023; 1:00 PM

First Lutheran Church, Mandan, ND

**Officiant**

Pastor Phil Leer

**Musician**

Loretta White

**Readers**

Alicia Glesne & Sherri Brown ~ Granddaughters

**Casketbearers**

Ryan Renken, Clint Renken, Cody Renken  
Chad Renken, Bill Carl, & Jeremy Dworshak

**Honorary Casketbearers**

Sherri Brown, Alicia Glesne  
& Christina Cano

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Gathering & Welcome

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Opening Congregational Hymn & Processional

“Shall We Gather at the River” #423

Invocation and Opening Prayer

Family Reflection

Jeremy Dworshak ~ Grandson

Congregational Hymn

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” #742

Scripture Readings

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Psalm 23

Philippians 4:4-9

John 14:1-6

Sermon

Congregational Hymn

“This Little Light of Mine” #677

Prayers of the Church

“Hear our prayer.”

Lord’s Prayer

Closing Announcements

Commendation

Recessional/Closing Recorded Medley

by Hilda’s brothers, August Jr. & Leroy

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YOU ARE INVITED FOR FOOD & FELLOWSHIP IN THE CHURCH BASEMENT  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE FUNERAL SERVICE.

THE FUNERAL PROCESSION TO ST. JOHN’S CEMETERY WILL LEAVE THE  
CHURCH AT 3:00 PM.

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