LuCille Marjorie (Lohre) Christensen was born on January 23, 1924, to Eddie and Elvina Lohre near to Storden, MN. She was baptized and confirmed at Old Westbrook Lutheran Church. LuCille graduated from Storden High School in 1941. After graduation LuCille and her older sister, Effie journeyed to Grand Rapids, Michigan to work at the Hayes Manufacturing Co. where they were Rosie the Riveters. They spent one year riveting airplanes and another year sewing parachutes. From there she returned to Storden where she worked as an assistant cashier for two years at the 1<sup>st</sup> State. Bank of Storden.

LuCillle met Howard Christensen in 1945, and they married on February 15, 1946. Howard and LuCille lived on the farm north of Lamberton and were married for 72 years. To this union they were blessed with five children: Keith, Ronald, James, Brian and Nancy. Being the oldest, Keith was her favorite!

LuCille was an active member of her church teaching Sunday school and Jr. Lutherans. She was a valued member of the Home Extension group & during this time she was awarded with the Honor of Homemaker of the year! She was involved in 4H and taught each of the kids in areas of interest they were involved in. Through this experience, Ron became her favorite!

LuCille was a wonderful cook, always making apple pies from their many apple trees. Jim especially loved baking with her & he quickly became her favorite! She kept her hands busy during the evening, knitting many afghans and sweaters, hardanger, and doilies for all. She embroidered many tables cloths, did crewel embroidery, and handmade Christmas stockings for all of her kids, grandkids and even great grands.

Beginning in 1970, they spent summer weekends on Lake Miltona in Alexandria which they continued until they were 95 years old. During this time, they began wintering in Mesa, AZ. They enjoyed visiting there every winter for years to come. Did you know that Brian was her favorite?!

In 2013, Howard and LuCille moved to Alexandria. They lived at Arabella Manor until Howard passed in 2018. LuCille moved to Nelson Gables in 2020. Covid hit two months after LuCille moved in and she was quarantined to her room. She kept her hands and mind busy, doing paint-by-number paintings. It helped pass the time and she used her paintings to decorate her apartment. She also gave them to many family members as beautiful keepsakes from this hobby. LuCille often stated, that "Nancy was going to keep her too busy to die!" Nancy was truly her favorite!

Lucille died on Thursday, October 6, 2022, at Nelson Gables in Alexandria at the age of 98, surrounded by her family. She is survived by her children, Keith (Donette) Christensen of Sartell who have four children and thirteen grandchildren. Ron (Sandie) Christensen of Lakeville who have one daughter and one granddaughter. Jim Christensen of Cottage Grove who has five children and one grandson. Brian (Deb) Christensen of Chanhassen who have two children. Nancy Tillman of Alexandria who has three daughters and nine grandchildren. LuCille has a total of twenty-four great grandchildren. She was proceeded in death by her husband, Howard in 2018; parents, Edward and Elvina; and son-in-law, Robert Tillman, who actually was her favorite.

# In Loving Memory



LuCille M. Christensen 1924 ~ 2022

## 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

## LuCille M. Christensen

January 23, 1924

October 6, 2022

### **Funeral Service**

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Lamberton, Minnesota Tuesday, October 11, 2022 11:00 AM



#### **Officiant**

Reverend Noel Wetter

## **Organist**

Molly Warner

### **Casket Bearers**

(LuCille's Grandchildren)

Amy Junes Andrew Christensen
Josh Christensen Mark Christensen
Kari Jacobs Randy Henke
Kelly Delsol Grace Raatz
Rachel Christensen Sam Christensen
Paul Christensen Sara Christensen
Brooke Sievers Stacy Anderson

Lindsey Werner

## **Honorary Casket Bearers**

All of LuCille's Great-Grandchildren

#### Interment

Wanda Cemetery Wanda, Minnesota

