

In loving memory of Bessie. . .



Bessie was born March 18, 1912, in Clay Township, rural Lansford, to Benjamin and Idumia (May) Timms. Bessie attended Clay Center School through the 10th grade and graduated from Lansford High School. After receiving a two year teaching certificate from Minot State College, Bessie taught school at Haas Grade School, Rural Maxbass and at Renville Consolidated school, rural Mohall.

Bessie married Ernest Rice on December 24, 1940, at Zion Lutheran Church in Mohall. Following their marriage, they farmed near Mohall until they retired in 1980 and moved to Minot. Ernest died December 2, 2006.

Bessie was a former member of Zion Lutheran Church,

Mohall, and a member of Christ Lutheran Church, Minot, after moving to Minot. Bessie was involved in the Bible study group and enjoyed quilting days, and making lefse at the church. Bessie volunteered at Trinity Hospital and received an award for 3000 hours of service. She moved to Edgewood Vista in September of 2002 where she lived until February of 2009, at which time she moved to the Good Samaritan Society nursing home in Mohall. She was an avid walker and enjoyed bowling, crossword and jig saw puzzles.



Dennis



Gale



Ardel



Bessie A. Rice

March 18, 1912
Rural Lansford, North Dakota



December 2, 2009
Mohall, North Dakota

Ninety-seven years, eight months and fourteen days

FUNERAL SERVICE

Zion Lutheran Church
Mohall, North Dakota

Saturday • December 5, 2009 • 2:00 p.m.

CLERGY

Reverend Todd Olson

MUSIC

Paul Schroeder, Soloist; to offer, *Because He Lives*
Congregational Hymns: *Great is Thy Faithfulness, Shall We Gather at the River,*
Softly and Tenderly, and *Bind Us Together*
Chantel R. Southam • Organist

CASKETBEARERS

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| Scott Rice | Mike Rice | Jay Rice |
| Marla Kautzky | Jozef Kautzky | Jacob Kautzky |
| | Devin Rice | |

INTERMENT

Mohall Community Cemetery
Mohall, North Dakota

FAMILY

Sons, Dennis (Joanne) Rice, Dubuque, IA;
and Ardel (Deanna) Rice, rural Mohall, ND
Grandchildren Marla (Jozef) Kautzky, Plymouth, MN;
Devin (Shelley) Rice, Morgan Hill, CA; Scott (Leigh) Rice, Mohall, ND;
Mike (Ricole) Rice, Minot, ND; and Jay Rice, Mohall, ND
Great-Grandchildren, Jacob, Sam, and Ben Kautzky; Alexa and Alysa Rice;
and Tatum and Brady Rice.

She is also survived by two Sisters-in-Law: Lila Lunde, Mohall, ND;
and Edith Verdom, Big Lake, MN;
and numerous nephews, nieces, and cousins.

Bessie was preceded in death by her Husband of 65 years, Ernest Rice;
Parents; Son, Gale Rice; Sister, Hazel Timms;
and Brothers Clarence, Ford and Dr. Walter Timms

Our family would like to thank all of you for your presence with us here today. Your kindness and friendship is greatly appreciated and will always be remembered. Following the graveside service, please join us for a time of fellowship and refreshment in the fellowship hall of the church.

Please share your memories of Bessie with us and one another.