

GOD'S GARDEN

God looked around his garden And found an empty space; He then looked down upon this earth And saw your tired face.

He put his arm around you And lifted you to rest; God's garden must be beautiful, He only takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering, He knew you were in pain, He knew you might never Get well upon this earth again.

He saw the road was getting rough And the hills were hard to climb, So He closed your weary eyelids And whispered, "Peace be thine".

It broke our hearts to lose you, But you never went alone, For part of us went with you The day God called you Home.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Cynthia Estella Gustafson

WHO WAS BORN
August 10, 1913
Foster Township, Big Stone County, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME January 8, 2020

Graceville, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday, January 11, 2020 - 2:00 p.m. Zion Lutheran Church Ortonville, Minnesota

> OFFICIANT Pastor Deborah Nissen

> > READER Jim Nelson

MUSICIANS

Tonya Barnhardt, Organist Franky Koval, Guitarist Vocalists:

Franky Koval | Addison Koval Brandon Nelson | Joshua Nelson

CASKET BEARERS

Jim Nelson | Brandon Nelson | Joshua Nelson Kevin Nelson | David Henze | Franky Koval

HONORARY BEARERS

All of Cynthia's Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren, and Great-Grandchildren

INTERMENT Mound Cemetery Ortonville, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Cynthia's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the interment, please join the family for food and fellowship in the church dining room.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home - Ortonville, Minnesota

Cynthia Estella (Green) Gustafson was born on August 10, 1913, in Foster Township of Big Stone County, MN. She attended rural school through eighth grade. On August 3, 1933, Cynthia was united in marriage with Irwin Alfred Gustafson in Milbank, SD. To this union, three children were born: Ethel, Duane, and Laura. Cynthia was a farm wife who helped take care of their cows, hogs, and chickens, and was a homemaker for their family.

She was an active member of Zion Lutheran Church of Ortonville, WELCA, and enjoyed the church quilting group. Cynthia was an avid seamstress who especially enjoyed sewing quilts, crocheting, and embroidering dish towels. She was a marvelous cook and made home cooked meals from scratch every day. Cynthia was also a fantastic baker and did a lot of her own canning. She loved to garden and could be seen tending to her flower beds with her long-sleeved shirt and straw hat in the early summer hours. Cynthia also push-mowed her own yard until she was over 100 years old. She was a member of the Hospital Auxiliary and loved her cancer walk group: "Oldies But Goodies".

Left to cherish her memory are her daughters: Ethel (Wayne) Schoon of Ortonville, MN; and Laura Marshall of Greeley, CO; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Sally Gustafson; along with many nieces and nephews.

Cynthia was preceded in death by her husband, Irwin, in 1990; her son, Duane; her parents; sisters: Nellie Wentland and Laura Rintoul; brother, Byron Green; and son-in-law, Vern Marshall.

Memorials are preferred to Zion Lutheran Church in Ortonville, MN.

