

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# Helen Louise Bohlen



WHO WAS BORN  
March 25, 1931  
Milbank, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME  
January 22, 2020  
Milbank, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE  
Wednesday, January 29, 2020 - 10:30 a.m.  
Emanuel Lutheran Church  
Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT  
Pastor Timothy Koch

MUSICIANS  
Kristy Tostenson, Organist  
Bobbi Jo Meyer, Vocalist

CASKET BEARERS  
Eric Bulygo | Maryn Miklas | Zachary Bulygo  
Emily Carr | Caroline Bohlen-Kilgore | Jon Bohlen  
Chris Bohlen | Claire Bohlen

INTERMENT  
Milbank City Cemetery  
Milbank, South Dakota

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

ARRANGEMENTS BY  
Mundwiler Funeral Home  
Milbank, South Dakota

Helen Louise (Grabow) Bohlen was born on March 25, 1931, in Milbank, SD. She was the daughter of Gustav and Louisa M. (Liebe) Grabow. Helen graduated from Milbank High School with the Class of 1949. She was united in marriage with Earl Bohlen on July 13, 1949, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Corona, SD. They were blessed to share seventy years of marriage.

Helen was baptized and confirmed in 1950 in Petosky, MI, at Zion Lutheran Church. Earl and Helen lived in St. Paul, MN, then returned to Milbank in 1951. Helen loved being a mother and raising her five children. No one, especially her children ever left the house hungry! She was a faithful and devoted member of Emanuel Lutheran Church. She enjoyed the quilting circle and served on many church committees. She was instrumental in helping form the Be Ye Doers and was a charter member of the Centennial Study Club.

Helen loved her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Each grandchild was blessed with one on Helen's quilts, made especially for them. She enjoyed playing Scrabble with them, and most importantly, just spending time together. She also enjoyed bowling. Helen and Earl cherished their daily morning visits from Jim Giossi.

Helen is survived by her husband, Earl of Milbank, SD; her children: Diane (Bill) Bulygo of Apple Valley, MN; Douglas (Beth) Bohlen of Corona, SD; and Earl (Lena) Bohlen of Spring Branch, TX; daughter-in-law, Bobbie Bohlen of Milbank, SD; eight grandchildren: Eric Bulygo, Maryn Miklas, Zachary Bulygo, Emily Carr, Caroline Bohlen-Kilgore, Jon Bohlen, Chris Bohlen, and Claire Bohlen; eight great-grandchildren;

two step-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents: Gustav and Louisa Grabow; daughter, Jenica Bohlen; son, Richard Bohlen; and her siblings: Paul Grabow, Rudy Grabow, Lloyd Grabow, Arthur Grabow, Russell Grabow, Harvey Grabow, Mabel Harms, Ernie Grabow, and Harris Grabow.





*Helen & Earl  
70 Years  
Together*



## *In Memory*



*Helen L. Bohlen  
1931 - 2020*

*When tomorrow starts without me,  
Please try to understand,  
That an Angel came and called my name  
And took me by the hand.*

*The Angel said my place was ready  
In the Heaven far above  
And that I'd have to leave behind  
All those I dearly love.*

*But when I walked through Heaven's gates,  
I felt so much at home,  
For God looked down, smiled at me and  
Told me welcome home.*

*So when tomorrow starts without me,  
Don't think we are far apart.  
For every time you think of me,  
I'm right there in your heart.*

*-Unknown Author*