

Phyllis Blackmun

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GROTON - The funeral for Phyllis Blackmun, 77, Groton, was held Friday at First Presbyterian Church in Groton. The Rev. Richard Geiger officiated.

Burial was in the Groton Union Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garress Funeral Chapel, Groton.

A prayer service was held at the funeral chapel Thursday.

She died at St. Luke's Midland Regional Medical Center, Aberdeen, Monday, March 12, 1990.

Phyllis Schoch was born December 7, 1912, to Henry and Jessie (Amsden) Schoch in Groton. She graduated from Groton High School.

She married Earl Blackmun in Aberdeen, June 6, 1939. She was known for her decorated cakes, homemade bread and pastries, which she sold out of her home for several years.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Presbyterian Women and was serving as an elder

before she died. She taught Sunday and Bible school. She also was a member of the GS Bridge Club.

Survivors include one son, David Blackmun, Groton; one daughter, Mrs. Bob (Laurel) Sparks, Fargo; her mother of Colonial Manor Nursing Home; two brothers, Arthur Schoch, Aberdeen; and George Schoch, Bismarck; one sister, Margaret Hubbard, Groton; four grandchildren, Mike Blackmun, Dave Blackmun, Groton, Errin Sparks, Ben Sparks, Fargo, and a foster granddaughter, Adriana Lopez, an exchange student from Mexico.

She was preceded in death by her father and her husband.

Casketbearers were John Clark, Neal Abeln, Kay Cutler, Ed Fordham, Douglas Goldade and Tom Woods.

Ushers were Clayton Sternhagen and Glenn Cooper.

Organist was Mrs. Ben Anderson. Marie Sternhagen and Kris Sternhagen sang "Amazing Grace" and "In The Garden."