

# Helena A. Hoops

April 2-1998

Helena A. Hoops, 88, Groton died Saturday, March 28, 1998 at St. Luke's Midland Regional Medical Center, Aberdeen. The funeral was held Wednesday at the St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton, with the Rev. Craig Grams officiating. Burial was at the Groton Union Cemetery under the direction of the Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.

Helena was born on December 14, 1909 at Ferney to Max and Adeline (Grieben) Bahr. This is where she was raised and educated. She married Roy Carl Hoops on September 10, 1927 at Aberdeen. Following their marriage, they farmed near Randolph for eight years. They farmed in the Ferney area until 1980, they then moved to Groton. He died on June 7, 1987. She continued to make Groton her home until the time of her death.



She was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church, a member of the L.W.M.L. of St John's and served on the Good Cheer Circle. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting and making quilts for her family. She served as the leader of the Jolly Ranchers 4-H Club for a number of years and was a member of the Groton Senior Citizens and the Colonial Manor Auxiliary.

She is survived by two sons, Ronald (Marilyn) Hoops, Groton, and Darold (Karen) Hoops, Chapel Hills, N.C.; four daughters, Betty (Marion) Jensen, Conde, Delores (Duane) Neumann, Groton; Joanne (Henry) Elsing, Chelsea, and Berdeen (Henry) Fingerlin, Littleton, Colo.; 23 grandchildren and 32 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, three brothers, a sister, two half sisters and one grandson.

Casketbearers were grandsons, Douglas Jensen, Aberdeen; Randall Jensen, Sioux Falls; Kelly Hoops, Denver; Kyle Hoops, Green Bay, Kirk Elsing, Chelsea; John Fingerlin, New Brighton, Colo.

Ushers were Orville Schaller and Ben Schaller. Mrs. Eugene Neuman was the organist and Mary Beth Fingerlin was the soloist.