

The Life of Phyllis C. Huber



Phyllis C. Huber, age 96, of Watertown, SD, formerly of Groton, SD, passed away on Wednesday, October 4, 2017, at a local care center in Watertown. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 9, 2017, at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Groton, SD. Father Mike Kelly will officiate. Family is requested to meet at the church on Monday by 9:30 a.m. for a prayer service.

Visitation will be prior to services at the church on Monday.

Burial will be at Sunset Memorial Garden in Aberdeen, SD. Active pallbearers are: Owen Bain, Ray Lapka, Tom Heckel, Dennis Rasmussen, Scott Schuring and Randy Schuring.

Phyllis Cecile Huber was born October 10, 1920, on a farm 10 miles west of Frederick, SD, to Henry and Cecile (Veatch) Bain. In March of 1932, the family moved to a farm east of Leola, SD where Phyllis attended country school through the 8th grade. In 1935, Phyllis went to live with her aunt, Ivy Thompson, in Conde, SD where she helped in the maternity home that Ivy managed. She graduated from Conde High School in 1939.

On October 28, 1939, Phyllis married Earnest R. Klapperich in Conde, SD. Together they made their home in the Groton, SD area. To this union, three daughters were born: Eunice Deneige, Elta Rachel, and Wava Marie.

On September 8, 1962, Phyllis married Martin Huber in Aberdeen, SD. They lived on a farm one mile west of Andover, SD. In the fall of 1979, they moved to Groton, SD, where Phyllis resided until 1996. After living in Aberdeen for two years, Phyllis moved to Benet Place in Watertown, SD, where she resided until entering Jenkins Living Center in December, 2011.

She is survived by her two daughters, Elta Helgelien of Watertown, SD and Wava (Richard) Seurer of Groton, SD; one brother, Leland (Zelda) Bain of Mentone, CA; one sister-in-law, Treva Arlene Bain of Frederick, SD; five grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandsons.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents; her two husbands; her daughter, Eunice; five brothers: Clarence (Dutch), Ernest (Fat), Alan, Leslie and Glen; four sisters: Cleotice Crabtree, Maysie Rexinger, Esther Ellis and Henrietta Martilla; one son-in-law, Daryl Helgelien; and two sisters-in-law: Etta and Marie.