

## Ardath May

November 25, 2018



### Services

A service summary is not available

Services for Ardath May, 92, of Aberdeen and formerly of Andover will be 11:00 a.m., Friday, November 30th at Zion Lutheran Church, Andover. Rev. Andrew Wolfgram will officiate. Burial will follow in Andover Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.

Visitation will be held at the chapel in Groton on Thursday from 5-7 with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

Ardath passed away November 25, 2018 at Bethesda Home of Aberdeen.

Ardath Patricia Widvey was born on September 14, 1926 in Dunn County, Wisconsin to A.E. and Anna (Halpin) Widvey. She was baptized in Dunn County and later confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church in Andover. Ardath attended school in Andover, graduating in 1944. She continued her education at Northern Normal College where she earned her Teaching Certificate. Ardath taught for several years in Leola, Andover and rural Bristol. On November 23, 1952 she was united in marriage to Norman "Butch" May and together they were blessed with three children. Butch and Ardath spent their lives together on the family farm north of Andover. Butch passed away December 18, 1989. Ardath later moved into Parkside Retirement Community in Aberdeen where she made many new friendships.

As a longtime member of Zion Lutheran Church, Ardath was active in teaching Sunday School, Ladies Aid and Choir. She belonged to the Senior Citizens in Andover and Extension Club. Ardath enjoyed reading and quilting in later years.

Celebrating her life are her children; Diane (Alan) Borchard of Mansfield, Alan (Lisa) May of Sioux Falls, Bruce (Rhonda) May of Groton, her grandchildren; Ginger (Phil) Palm, Chad (Kelsey) Borchard, Alex May, Eric May, Ashley (Eric) Milbrandt, Garrett Stene and three great-grandchildren; Levi and Lucy Palm and Everett Milbrandt. Ardath is also survived by her three brothers; Harold Widvey of Brookings, Norman (Jan) Widvey of Pierre, John (Jessica) Widvey of Worthington, MN and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband, one sister, Eleanor Lapham and great-grandson, Elliot Milbrandt.

Casketbearers will be Jim Kroll, Chad Borchard, Alex May, Eric May, Eric Milbrandt and Wayne Hein.

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