

## The Life of Dorothy Schaller



Dorothy A. Schaller, 87, of Brookings, formerly of Bruce, passed away Sunday, November 5, 2017 at the Brookings Hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 am Thursday, November 9, 2017 at Grace Free Lutheran Church, in Bruce, SD. Visitation will be from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm Wednesday at Rude's Funeral Home in Brookings with a prayer service beginning at 6:30 pm.

Dorothy Schaller was born on January 26, 1930, in Groton, SD, the daughter of Herman "Boots" and Evelyn (Semm) Schinkel. Dorothy received her education in Groton, SD, and was a graduate of the Groton High School in 1948. After receiving her education she taught school for several years, worked as a Kirby Vacuum Sales person and then was employed at the Aberdeen National Bank. She was united in marriage to Kenneth Schaller on September 11, 1951, in Groton, SD. After their marriage they farmed near Stratford, SD and later near Ferney, SD. In 1975, they moved to Bruce, SD, where they continued to live until moving into Brookings, SD in 2009.

Dorothy is a member of Grace Lutheran Church where she also served as Deacon, the church circle, American Legion Auxiliary, the Birthday Club, Coffee Club, and the Banner Committee. She spent many hours volunteering at the Neighborhoods at Brookview, where she lived during her final three years. She enjoyed baking, crafts, oil and water painting and especially spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth Schaller, of Brookings, SD; her two sons, Scott (JoAnn) Schaller, of Volga, SD and Loren (Peggy) Schaller, Rapid City, SD. eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Dorothy is preceded in death by her parents and her daughter, Carol McKiver.