

Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel

Fern Westby

(Died December 27, 2017)

Services for Fern Westby, 87, of Groton will be 10:30 a.m., Saturday, December 30th at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Groton. Pastor Young Chung will officiate. Burial will follow in Union Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.

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

Fern passed away Wednesday, December 27, 2017 at Bethesda Home of Aberdeen.

Fern Mae (Bury) Westby was born to Nick and Josephine (Leegaard) Bury on March 23, 1930. She graduated from Webster High School in 1947, and then attended Sioux Valley Nursing school in Sioux Falls. She was married to John M. Westby on July 16, 1949 in Butler, South Dakota. From 1949-1960 they lived on the family farm west of Lily, ultimately making their home in Groton for fifty years. Fern was employed at St. Luke's Hospital in Aberdeen for over 30 years.

Celebrating her life are her four children Kathryn (Stan) Knudsen of Groton, James Westby of Los Angeles, Ronald (Lori) Westby of Groton and Charles Westby of Lake Tahoe; five grandchildren Susie (Adrian) Berg, Chuck Knudsen, Natalie DeVine (Jordan) Casanova, Heidi Westby, Heather Westby; and four great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, one brother, Marvin, sister, Marlys Peterson and an infant sister, Arlene.

Honorary Casketbearers will be Natalie Casanova, Susan Berg, Heather Westby and Heidi Westby.

Casketbearers will be Paul Peterson, Randy Bury, Chuck Knudsen, Jordan Casanova, Adrian Berg and Curtis Metz.

Memorials may be directed to SPURS, 1006 130th Street NE Aberdeen 57401

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