

February 28, 2005

Obit: Doris Mae Zimney

- Memorial services for Doris Mae Zimney, 78, of Groton will be 10:00am Wednesday, March 2nd at the Presbyterian Church, Groton. Rev. James Clarke will officiate. Inurnment will follow in Groton Union Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.
- She died Friday, February 25, 2005 at Bethesda Home of Aberdeen.
- A prayer service will be held at the funeral chapel Tuesday at 7:00pm. Visitation will continue at the church 9:00am, Wednesday.
- Doris was born to Clarence and Bessie (Eikanas)



Craig on December 24, 1926 in Aberdeen. She graduated from Groton High School and attended Northern State College, where she earned a teaching certificate. She taught in a country school located a mile south of their farm near Groton which she once attended as a child. Later, she also worked in the Groton school lunch program.

- On June 26, 1948, Doris was united in marriage to Robert Zimney. To this union, four children were born, Barry, Bob, Rick and Sherry. They lived in Groton all of their lives except for a brief time when the family moved to Spokane, WA. In 1963, Doris began a long fight with Multiple Sclerosis that spanned over 40 years.

- Doris spent many years confined to a wheelchair and bed rest, but, kept her mind in tip-top shape. She had an avid passion for politics and was famous for her letters to the editor. She became a real sports fan and loved to watch tennis, especially Andre Agassi on TV. Crochet and knitting and a good crossword puzzle kept her mind sharp day after day. She served as a patient representative while at Bethesda and enjoyed her residence there. Doris was a member of the Presbyterian Church, Groton.

- Grateful to have shared her life are her three sons, Barry (Maureen) of Rapid City, Bob (Nichole) of Owasso, OK, Rick (Carol) of Omaha, NE, one daughter, Sherry (Dave) Arneson of Aberdeen, 9 grandchildren; Lucas and Laura Zimney of Rapid City, Matthew and Travis Zimney of Owasso, OK, Chris Zimney of Seattle, WA, Nick and Angela Zimney of Aberdeen, Sarah Zimney of Omaha, NE and Derrek Arneson of Aberdeen, two great-grandchildren; Eva Zimney and Isabelle Zimney, two brothers, Dayle Craig of Aberdeen and Doug (Brenda) Craig of Claremont, two sisters, Donna Bahr of Groton and Darlene Biggs of Great Bend, KS and numerous nieces and nephews.

- She is preceded in death by her parents, Clarence & Bessie Craig, husband, Robert and great-granddaughter, Anna Marie Zimney.

- A memorial has been established to the National MS Society-Dakota Chapter, 3800 W. Technology Center, Sioux Falls, SD 57106.

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