



Helen Marie Pederson Born to Henry & Mabel Peterson October 16, 1926 ~ Rural Zahl, North Dakota Returned to Her Heavenly Father September 14, 2018 ~ Williston, North Dakota Her Funeral Service 2:00 PM, Thursday, September 20, 2018 Faith United Methodist Church Williston, North Dakota Officiating Pastor Ross Reinhiller Musician Robyn Soiseth ~ Darcia Larsen ~ Greg Peterson Vocalist's Pat Lund ~ Accompanist Pallbearers **Gregory Peterson Brad Peterson Loyal Larson Kyle Larson** Mick Eberle Ronnie LaQua Honorary Pallbearers All of Helen's Family & Friends Final Resting Place **Riverview Cemetery** Williston, North Dakota Arrangements By Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home Williston, North Dakota







Helen was born on October 16, 1926 in rural Zahl, ND, the daughter of Henry and Mabel (Magnus) Peterson. She was raised and educated in the Zahl area and graduated from Zahl High School. On January 28, 1944, Helen was united in marriage to Paul B. Pederson in Culbertson, MT. They lived on Paul's parent's farm in Orthello Township, near Zahl. They farmed and started their family, later taking over the farming operation. They later moved into Grenora, while still farming. Helen worked at the Grenora Mercantile for awhile, before starting her career with the U.S. Post Office in Grenora. She worked as a clerk and then became Post Master until she retired.

Paul passed away in 2007. Helen continued to live in Grenora. She entered Bethel Lutheran Home after she broke her hip, where she has been a resident since.

Helen was a devoted mother. She enjoyed music and was a very talented musician and singer. Helen taught herself to play piano and guitar by ear. She sang at many funerals, weddings and other community events. She was a member of the Silvertones, a singing group from the Grenora area and also sang with the Dakota Dimensions. The Dakota Dimensions were musicians from northwest North Dakota. They performed in the area, at the Medora Musical and toured and performed in Norway. She loved crocheting, her flowers and was excellent seamstress and a good cook. When Helen was making her doughnuts, word went around to the neighborhood kids and they would soon be over to the house enjoying her excellent baking skills. Helen was a very active member of the United Methodist church in Grenora, serving on the council, teaching Sunday school and singing. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Gladys Helping Hand Club and served as a 4-H leader and taught at Farmers Union School during the summer.

Helen is survived by her children, Shirley Raivo of Williston, Sharon (Herbert) Bendixson of Zahl, Richard (Beverly) Pederson of Zahl, ND, Sandra (Dennis) Peterson of Grenora, Darcia (Steve) Larsen of Culbertson, MT, numerous grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, three sons, Allan, Paul Jr. and Daniel and two brothers, Robert and Eugene.

YOU ARE MY My Only Sunshine You make me When skies are grey YOU'LL NEVER KNOW DEAR HOW MUCH LOVE YOU PLEASE DON'T TAKE