

Leier, Otyelia obit

Otelia "Tillie" Leier

Obituary

Otelia "'Tillie' Leier, 97, Grand Forks, ND, died Saturday, July 9, 2005 in Valley Eldercare Center, Grand Forks. Otelia Lacher was born on February 3, 1908 the daughter of Casper and Ursula (Volk) Lacher in Balta, ND. She was raised and educated in the Balta and Orrin, ND area. Otelia married Nicodemus Leier on February 12, 1934 in the Catholic Church in Blumenfeld, ND. Following their marriage, they farmed and ranched in the Orrin, ND area. Retiring in 1984, they moved to Devils Lake, ND. Nicodemus preceded her in death on February 9, 1994. Otelia continued living in Devils Lake until moving to Grand Forks in 2002, where she resided until her death. Truly an amazing woman, Tillie was talented at many things she did. An avid gardener, she raised a large garden annually where she and Nick ranched. She was a wonderful cook and baker and was known widely for her homemade soups. Her deep faith sustained her through the losses of her husband, her only child and many family members in her large and extended family. As a friend remembers her, she was a "grand little lady who could really dance the polka". She is survived by her sisters, Katie Saupe, Mississippi, Regarda (Anton) Senger, Minot, ND; grandchildren, Bridget (Larry) Drummer, East Grand Forks, MN, Bernell Gange, West Fargo, ND; great grandchildren, Darin Drummer, Jamie Gange, Senneta Gange, Sheree Gange and Meagan Neil. She was preceded in death by her husband Nicodemus, her parents, a daughter, Bridget (Charles) McCarthy; sisters, Walburga Voeller and Margaret Fettig; brothers, Leo, Casper, Nick, Bert and John. The body of Otelia Leier has been donated to the School of Medicine at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks. No Services Scheduled. The online memorial registry may be signed at www.normanfuneral.com. Gregory J. Norman-Norman Funeral Home, So. Washington St.
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