



God saw she was getting tired  
And a cure was not to be,  
So He put His arms around her  
And whispered, "Come with Me."

With tearful eyes we watched her suffer  
And saw her fade away,  
Although we loved her dearly  
We could not make her stay.

A golden heart stopped beating  
Hard working hands to rest,  
God broke our hearts to prove to us  
He only takes the best.

## ***Esther Violet Rodacker***

*August 2, 1924, Granville Township, ND*

*March 15, 2007, Velva, ND*

### ***Funeral Service***

*Monday, March 19, 2007, 11 a.m.*

*Zion Lutheran Church, Minot, ND*

### ***Officiant***

*Rev. Mary Lou Aune*

### ***Music***

*Opening hymn "The Old Rugged Cross*

*Garrett Gudmunsen, vocalist to offer*

*"Just A Closer Walk With Thee"*

*"How Great Thou Art"*

*Closing hymn "Amazing Grace"*

*Dr. Mark Dimond, organist*

### ***Honorary Bearers***

*Esther's family and friends*

### ***Active Bearers***

*Todd Hillestad*

*Mike Rodacker*

*Jeff Dockter*

*Scott Hillestad*

*Bruce Melby*

*Jeff Rodacker*

*Mike Melby*

*Gary Knodel*

### ***Final Resting Place***

*Sunset Memorial Gardens, Minot*

*Burial will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Monday.*

*Those wishing to attend the graveside service are asked to drive with both headlights and hazard lights ON, following the vehicle in front of you as close as safety permits. Use extreme caution when crossing major intersections as some traffic may not yield. Once at the cemetery please follow the family to the grave space for the final prayers.*

*Immediately following the service in the church everyone is invited to join the family for fellowship and lunch in the church fellowship center.*

*Thompson-Larson Funeral Home, Minot*