



Esther was born on August 2, 1924, in Granville Township, ND, the daughter of Fredrick Jr. and Eva (Dockter) Knodel. She was reared and educated in Granville Township where she attended country school

She was united in marriage to Roy Rodacker on December 21, 1947, in McClusky, ND. The couple farmed in the Butte and Underwood areas for several years before moving to Manfred, ND. In 1960, they moved to Minot where Esther was employed at the Anderson Nursing Home, which later became the Americana Nursing Home and then Manor Care Nursing Home where after 29 years she retired. Roy passed

away on May 28, 1994.

Esther loved spending time with her children and grandchildren and would often accompany them on camping and fishing trips to Lake Audubon or Lake Sakakawea. She also enjoyed embroidering and playing bingo.

She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Minot and the Minot Senior Citizens.

Those Who Shared In Her Life

Daughter, Paulette (Curt) Hillestad, Minot; daughter-in-law, Judy (Kit) Alley, Martinez, CA; grandchildren, Jeffrey (Jennifer) Rodacker, Scott (Melanie) Hillestad, Mike Rodacker, Todd Hillestad, Micah Alley, and Rebekah (Steve) Twist; great-grandchildren, Corrina Rodacker, Gage Hillestad, Ensley Poindexter, Katelyn and Ashlee Twist; brother, Hilbert (Irene) Knodel, Minot; sister-in-law, Betty (Gene) Melby, Manfred, ND; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy, son, Tom, parents, Fredrick and Eva and brother Leonard Knodel.

