

*Anna was born on April 11, 1919, in Foxholm Township, Ward County, ND, the daughter of Anthony N. and Rosena (Schmitz) Dostert. She graduated from Lone Tree High School in 1936. She attended Minot State Teacher's College and received a standard degree in 1940. Anna taught in country consolidated and town schools in North Dakota for eight years.*

*Anna married John J. Schan on July 3, 1944 in Foxholm, ND. John was in the United States Marine Corps and for a time they lived near Camp Pendleton in California. While John served overseas, Anna returned to North Dakota. After the war, Anna and John operated a grocery store in Blaisdell, ND and on October 30, 1946, their son, John Anthony, was born.*

*In 1950, the family moved to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, where Anna taught in a parochial school. She returned to college and received a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Idaho in 1968 and a Master of Arts Degree in Elementary Education in 1978. She then continued teaching at Sherman and Winston Schools, retiring in 1981. Her husband, John J. died in 1977 .*

*She went on to volunteer in many areas, most notably at the local hospital for 14 years. Her son John died in February of 2003.*

*In January 2008, Anna returned to Minot and resided at A and P Adult Foster Care, where she was loved and cared for by Patti Backes and Alice Lizotte.*

*Anna attended St. Pius Catholic Church in Coeur d'Alene, where she taught CCD classes and was a 31 year member of The Catholic Daughters of the Americas. She was very involved in the National Retired Teachers Association. She served as State President for the local Business and Professional Women's Organization. Anna enjoyed traveling to conventions for her many committee involvements over the years.*

*Anna is survived by brothers, Joseph (Patricia) Dostert, Minot; Raymond Dostert, Minot and Edwin Dostert, Burlington, ND; sisters, Catherine Opland, Kent, WA, Patricia Lesmeister, Surrey, ND and Irene Dostert, Minot, ND; brother-in-law, Richard Novak, Minot, ND; sister-in-law, Rosamond Schan, Minot. Many nieces and nephews also survive.*

*Anna was preceded in death by her husband, John J. Schan; son, John A. Schan; brother, Anthony Dostert, sisters, Bernice Novak and Frances Price; brothers-in-law, Walter Opland, Wilbert Price and Wendelin Lesmeister, sister-in-law, Lucille Dostert; parents Anthony and Rosena Dostert and her mother and father-in-law.*