



Arlyss was born on April 22, 1928, the daughter of Arthur and Mable (Latendresse) Johnson near Deering, ND. She graduated from Granville High School in 1945. Following her high school graduation, she lived with Martin and Lena Hansen and worked at the Irvin Hotel in Kenmare, ND.

On October 23, 1947, she was united in marriage to Vernon Thelen in Granville, ND. After their marriage they lived on the family farm in Elmdale Township, and raised their six children. Arlyss also worked as a cook at the Kenmare School for 25 years.

Arlyss was a member of the St. Agnes Catholic Church, the St. Agnes Altar Society and taught CCD. She enjoyed gardening, crocheting, knitting and crafting.

Those Who Shared In Her Life:

Husband of 60 years, Vernon, Kenmare, ND; sons: Larry (Mary) Thelen, Bismarck, ND, Duane (Tracy) Thelen, Kenmare, ND, Calvin (Sandy) Thelen, Grand Forks, ND, Nick (Sharon) Thelen, Kenmare, ND, Keith (Stacey) Thelen, Columbus, ND; son-in-law: Boyd (Shelley) Brekhus, Kenmare, ND; 14 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; sisters: Myrte Sampson, Upham, ND, Sally (Lawrence) Ackerman, Elgin, ND, Darlene (Fred) Nix, Casper, WY, Carol (Bob) Mullholland, Mesquite, NV; brothers: Earling (Jean) Johnson, Garrison, ND, Myron Johnson, Lampasas, TX, LeRoy (Edie) Johnson, Gold Bar, WA, Vernon (Delores) Johnson, Stanley, ND, Maryln (Katie) Johnson, Arvada, CO; sisters-in-law, Phyllis Johnson, Minot, ND, Mitzi Johnson, Bayview, ID; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins also survive.

Arlyss was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Corrine Brekhus, brothers, Cleo "Bud" Johnson and Ronald Johnson.



*In Loving Memory
Of
Arlyss Thelen
1928-2007*