

Remembering the Life of Hannah



Hannah Mae Charlotte Stahlberg was born May 23, 1913 in Kenmare to Ole and Augusta (Stark) Stahlberg. She was raised in Kenmare and graduated from Kenmare High School.

In 1931, she married Ludvig Brekhus in a double wedding ceremony with Sanford and Thelma (Brekhus) Johnson.

Hannah and Lud lived and farmed in Rockford Township north of Norma until 1935. They moved to Mohall where Lud took a job as a bulk truck driver for Farmers Union Oil Company. In 1938, they moved to Tolley to open the Farmers Union Tolley Sub-Station.

In 1949, Hannah and Lud became drivers for the U.S. Postal Service on a Star Route. For 27 years, they hauled mail from Tolley and Norma to Kenmare, then back from Kenmare at least once, and often twice, a day. Hannah drove this route more often than not.

After retirement on 1986, Hannah and Lud moved to Kenmare. Lud died in 1989, and Hannah continued to live in Kenmare. She moved in 2005 to the swing bed unit at the Kenmare Hospital where she resided until her death.

Hannah was active in the Tolley Community in many capacities. She helped organize a 4-H Club and served as its leader for 16 years. She was also a member of the Tolley Study Club, Tolley Homemakers, Evangelical Lutheran Church and the ELCW, and the Tolley Senior Citizens.

In addition to raising her own family, for many years Hannah served as a "House Mother" to many students and teachers who lived with the family during the school year.

Hannah was a wonderful mother who lovingly supported each of her children in the life paths that they chose.

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures,

He leads me beside quiet waters, He restores my soul.

He guides me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil, for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.



Hannah Mae Charlotte Brekhus

DATE OF BIRTH

May 23, 1913

Kenmare, North Dakota

DATE OF DEATH

September 10, 2008

Kenmare, North Dakota

Ninety-five years, three months, seventeen days

FUNERAL SERVICE

Evangelical Lutheran Church

Tolley, North Dakota

Saturday—September 13, 2008—1:00 p.m.

CLERGY

Reverend Janet Gwin

MUSIC

Congregational Hymns: *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* and *Beautiful Savior*
Paul Schroeder, Soloist, to offer, *I Know Who Holds Tomorrow*

Joyce Atwood—Organist

CASKETBEARERS

Barry Brekhus

Darwin Brekhus

Clifford Brekhus

Gerald Brekhus

Boyd Brekhus

Dennis Johnson

INTERMENT

Evanger Lutheran Church Cemetery

Rural Kenmare, North Dakota

FAMILY

Daughter, Joyce Brekhus, Minneapolis, MN

Sons, Harvey (Milly) Brekhus, Bismarck, ND;

Gene Brekhus, San Francisco, CA; and Ross Brekhus, Smithville, TX

Six Grandchildren, five Great-Grandchildren

and three Great-Great-Grandchildren

Hannah was preceded in death by her Husband, Ludvig;
infant Daughter, Leona; infant Grandson, Mark;

Daughter-in-Law, Virginia; Parents,

Brothers and their Wives, Arthur and Jennie Stahlberg,

Edwin and Evelyn Stahlberg, and Melvin and Hilda Stahlberg

Following the graveside service, all friends are invited to gather at the
Tolley City Hall for a time of fellowship and lunch.

Please share your memories of Hannah with us and one another.

Our family would like to thank you for your presence here today.

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