



Emily Backman

September 13, 1904 - February 5, 2006

Emily C. Backman passed away February 5, 2006, at a Mandan Care Center. Funeral services will be held Friday at 11:00 AM at Sunne Lutheran Church in Wilton, with Rev. Paul Schauer presiding. Burial will be at Sunne Lutheran Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday from 5 - 9 PM at Eastgate Funeral Service, Bismarck. Visitation will continue one hour prior to the service at the church. Emily Backman was born September 13, 1904, in McLean County to August W. and Matilda Fahlgren Carlson. She attended Northwestern College in Fergus Falls, MN, and Valley City Teacher's College in Valley City, ND. She had a lifelong interest in education and encouraged her daughter and other family members to pursue educational opportunities. She met Albert Backman in Wilton and they were married on June 7, 1928. They had two children, an infant son who died shortly after birth and a daughter, Maelon. The family farmed northeast of Wilton for 40 years, moving to Bismarck in the late 1960s. She is survived by her sister, Amanda of Bismarck; her daughter, Maelon Ollenburger of Cloquet, MN; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Albert; one brother; and one sister.