



Grace Andahl

August 2, 1919 - January 28, 2010

Grace L. Andahl, 90, Bismarck, died peacefully on January 28, 2010, at home with her family at her side. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 am Monday at Church of Corpus Christi, Bismarck, with Rev. Paul Becker officiating. Burial will be held in Baldwin Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 2:00 pm until 8:00 pm at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway, Bismarck, where a vigil service will begin at 6:30 pm. Visitation will continue one hour prior to the service at the church. Grace was born on August 2, 1919, to Paul and Agnes Murray Schonert. She grew up on her parent's farm north of Bismarck, where she attended Burnt Creek School. She married Helmer Andahl on September 24, 1940. Shortly after they married, they purchased a farm north of Bismarck where they lived and farmed together. They had one son, Ronald. Grace enjoyed farm living to the fullest and had the heart of a true pioneer woman. She raised and sold chickens and eggs, tended large gardens, canned countless jars of fruits and vegetables, along with many other farm-life enterprises. Grace also enjoyed sewing, making over 600 quilts during her lifetime – many for family and friends, but with a good number going to local charities. She was affectionately known as the 'quilt lady.' She was a charter member of the Riverside Homemaker's Club which began in 1948, and was an active member all her life. Grace loved her farm home and was lucky enough to spend all of her days, even her last ones, there. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Ron and Pat; her grand-daughter Darcy; her grandson David and his wife, Jackie; her great

grandchildren, Stephanie and Tyler Mees; her sister Rosemary Andahl; and her sisters-in-law Lila Little, Aldyth Doering, and Beverly, Lucille and Leona Schonert; many nieces and nephews; and her beloved cat, Rudy. She was preceded in death by her husband, Helmer; her grandson, Ty; three brothers, Robert, Joseph and Roy Schonert; and her brothers-in-law, Roy Andahl, Don Little and Buck Doering.

Tribute Wall

KP

“ Our prayers are with your family at this time. "Grandma Grace" was a special lady. I will always remember shared birthdays, special birthday cakes made by Grace, and special dinners at her home.LoveKallene & family

Kallene Purl - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ To a very special lady that will be missed by many. For the joy of sharing our children with you, and the pleasure that they gave to you during holidays, and other occasions. Many good Memories that we will have of your time that we got to share with you. May you finally rest in peace, and that your family may find peace in you passing.God Bless you, and your family.

The John Golberg Family - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ To all Andahls and Schonerts:I remember Grace as a warm and friendly person that my Mom, Helen Lenihan, held in high regard. And we always appreciated the down and feathers that she supplied so Mom could make us great pillows!!!! hope to make it to the funeral, but it is questionable, so I wanted to let all of you know that you have my sympathy and prayers.Your loss is great because the gift was so great!Love and prayers,Eileen

Eileen Lenihan Wickenheiser - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Dear Ronny and family, I am very sorry that I was not able to make it to Auntie's funeral. Your Mom always had a special place in everyone's heart as she loved making things for other people. She had a great sense of humor and loved to play jokes. I will never forget when we were little and we were all together at Bob and Lucilles at Christmas time and when Santa came and passed out gifts that she had arranged for Santa to give her a pail of coal for her gift. She had us believing that if we were not good kids we would get the same. Another memory is her special malt maker and how whenever we would come she would make us one - we all looked forward to that special treat! I also think of all the quilts she made for every child she was ever related to and how much love and joy she put into them. Each one was very special and in fact my granddaughter still has hers today and treasures it to its fullest. We were all very blessed to have such a wonderful person in our life.

Jo Watkins - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ I am so sorry to hear of Grace's passing. she was such a wonderful person. I learned so much from her in homemakers. She was a good neighbor and friend. she will be missed. My sympathy to the family. Marlys

Marlys Ward - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ To Ron & Pat. We remember so many good times when we were on the farm. Your mom always had room at the table if you stopped in at mealtime. And oh how she could cook. She taught me so many things when I was newly married. She will always be in our heart and we hope that you always remember the good times, as there were so many of them. Our prayers are with you and your family at this time.

Neil & Susan Bourgois - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Our entire family will always remember "Gracie" all we have to do is look around our home and there are things she helped make or taught us how to do. She was a great friend, and a special mentor to me. Loved the fiesty, upbeat character and am so glad she was part of this world. She just made it a whole lot better for many yrs and I feel privileged to have had the oppurtunity to share it with her.

Phyllis Bohrer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Grace was a lovely lady and I am sure she will be greatly missed. Our sincere sympathy,Howard and Carole Lacher

Carole Stolz Lacher - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TH

“My wife and I always knew her as Grandma Grace. We would go over and visit and I remember her being so active. She was not one of those people who was content to have others do her work. Then when we had children Grace made each child a quilt that had their names on it. All of the kids love their quilts and even though they have had many blankets over the years their quilts remain special. We were sad to learn of Grace's death and even sadder that we could not stay for the funeral. My children always lit up when they went to see her. She and my children shared a love of animals. My children always loved seeing the many cats. They would try to count and catch them. Grace would laugh at this and say, "Well, these are farm cats. You boys probably won't catch them." I am having a difficult time seeing her as dead. She was one of those rare women that was so feisty and full of life that I thought she would live forever. In a way she will. My children will always have the memory of "Grandma Grace" and their special quilts. My wife and I will have the memory of a beautiful woman who brought light and happiness to whatever she did. Even though she was not blood she was still family. We will miss her and thank God that she was in our lives.

Throy Haadem - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“I was sorry to hear about Grace. We used to live out by her and I remember her as a fun lady. I'm sorry for your loss.

Tina Fricke - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM