



Helen Dewing

July 25, 1919 - January 25, 2009

Helen Dewing, 89, Bismarck, died January 25, 2009, at Medcenter One Hospital, Bismarck. Services will be held at 11:00 am Thursday at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Bismarck, with Rev. Nadine Lehr officiating. Burial will be held at the North Dakota Veteran's Cemetery, Mandan. Visitation will be held from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm Wednesday at Eastgate Funeral Service, Bismarck. A celebration of life for family and friends will be held at 7:00 pm Wednesday at Eastgate Funeral Service. Visitation will continue one hour prior to the service at the church. Helen was born July 25, 1919, in Columbus, ND, the daughter of Melvin and Lisa Kihle Forthun. She grew up in Columbus and graduated from Fargo Business School. Helen married Ralph Dewing on August 16, 1940. Ralph was Director of Office Management and Budget for North Dakota and died on January 27, 1999, in Bismarck. Helen was very active in her church throughout her life and took part in political activities with Ralph. She had lived at Edgewood Vista since 2002 until she moved to Missouri Slope Lutheran Care Center this past May. Helen is survived by three daughters, Myrna Al Ryberg, Menoken, Marvey Weigold, Syracuse, NY, and Jane Dewing, Minneapolis, MN; two sons, Gaylen Wanda, Bismarck, and Carroll Crystal Wilton; as well as 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren; two sisters, Elaine Orval Benson, Bismarck, and Lyla Rollofson, Crosby; and three brothers, Marlin Jan Forthun, Napa, CA, Lydell Lue Forthun, Bismarck, and Vernell Donna Forthun, St. Johnsbury, VT. Helen was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph; two sons, Malen and Wayne and an infant son.

Memorials may be made to the ND Veterans Cemetery, Lord of Life Lutheran Church, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Tribute Wall

DH

“ My mother, Leona Horntvedt Guderjohn, passed away in November and only a few weeks ago I received a card from Helen that she had sent to my aunt and uncle, Arlene and Doug Beck in Minot. My mom always spoke so highly of Helen. I miss her and know you will miss your mom, too. You have my deepest sympathy and are in my prayers.

Diana Guderjohn Harshberger - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ Carroll & Crystal-Mike&Lisa, Myrna & Al & Family, Gaylen & Wanda-Bree&Jyh, Jane, Marvey& family, Wishing you all a favorite memory of your mother/grandmother to bring a smile to your face in the days to come that will replace the tears. My memories of Helen are around the holidays that she shared with Crystal and Carroll, she was always so pleasant to visit with, and then there were Mike & Lisa's birthdays I noticed that Grandma always came through with a card with a few enclosures:

Cheryl Anderson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ We want to extend our sincere sympathy in the loss of your Mom. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.

Norris & Muriel Anderson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ So sorry to hear about your loss. May the many good memories you have help sustain you through this difficult journey. Gene & Shirley Ryberg

Shirley Ryberg - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ To all my cousins. I am so sorry for the loss of your mom. I have so many good memories of visiting and spending time with all of you. Your mom was always so sweet and I enjoyed visiting with her. she will be greatly missed. I sure wish we had lived closer and been able to spend more time with all of you.

Cheryl Forthun Murray & Sean - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Galen, Wanda and family: I have many memories of being at your Mom's house as a kid. She accepted me as part of your family as you did. Picnics in the backyard and playing badminton. I'm sorry for your loss. She is a wonderful woman who touched many lives. She will be missed by all. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Joanne Braun Wangler - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ My Condolence to the Family

Duane L. Kihle - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ Sorry to hear about your loss. Aunt Helen was a great lady.

Frank Melby - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ our sympathy in the loss of your mom

jeff and brandon Forthun - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NN

“ *Carroll, Crystal and family, I am sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.*

Nicole Nodland - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM