

I'd like the memory of me  
To be a happy one,  
I'd like to leave  
an afterglow of  
*smiles*  
when life is done.  
I'd like to leave an echo  
Whispering softly down the ways,  
Of happy times and laughing times  
And bright & sunny days.  
I'd like the tears of those who grieve,  
To dry before the sun  
of *happy memories*  
that I leave behind  
When life is done.



***In Loving Memory***  
***Marian E. Rice***

***Born to Harold & Hazel Jensen***  
August 11, 1933 ~ Powers Lake, North Dakota

***Returned to Her Heavenly Father***  
November 17, 2019

***Funeral Service***  
Monday, November 25, 2019, 2:00 pm  
American Lutheran Church  
Stanley, North Dakota

***Officiating***  
Pastor Carter Hill

***Special Music***  
"In the Garden" ~ "Amazing Grace"  
"Mansion on the Hill"  
Nicole Biwer & Kayo Grubb ~ Vocalists  
Katie Harwood ~ Pianist

***Pallbearers***  
Christopher Hickel    Anthony Rice  
Rikki Rice            Bobby Rice  
Jason Rice             Trevor Rice  
Brett Rice              Jon Watterud

***Honorary Pallbearers***  
All of Marian's Grandchildren,  
Great Grandchildren & Great-Great Grandchildren

***Final Resting Place at a Later Date***  
Norman Lutheran Church Cemetery  
Tioga, North Dakota

***Arrangements By***  
Springan Stevenson Funeral Home  
Stanley, North Dakota

*In Loving Memory Of*



**Marian Elizabeth Rice**

August 11, 1933 - November 17, 2019





Marian Elizabeth Rice, 86, of Stanley, ND, formerly of Tioga, passed away peacefully at the Kenmare hospital on Sunday, November 17th, 2019. She spent her final days surrounded by her loving family & friends.

Marian was born August 11th, 1933 in Powers Lake, ND to Harold & Hazel (Slotsve) Jensen. She attended school in Powers Lake where she graduated in 1951. Anyone who knew her, would not be surprised to learn she was voted class clown of her graduating class!

She met the love of her life, Hilmer 'Bud' Rice, while waitressing at a local cafe. They were married on July 27th, 1951 in Tioga, ND. From this union, five wonderful children were born. They made their home at the farm we all knew & loved northeast of Tioga. A few months before Buddy passed away, they proudly celebrated 65 years of marriage. Marian's love for Bud was so strong & we can only imagine how happy they are to be together once again.

Marian was many things in life: a hardworking farm wife & auctioneering clerk, a loving mother & a devoted grandmother, great grandmother & great-great grandmother. She absolutely adored all of her grandkids & spent countless days attending their activities - cheering with a pompom from the stands at wrestling matches, football, volleyball & basketball games, or honking the car horn in excitement at a horse event. Her wit & energetic spunk were signatures of her personality & she was always the "life of the party!" She loved being with her many family members & she truly did live her life to the fullest.

The Tioga Sons of Norway, White Earth Valley Saddle Club & Norman Lutheran Ladies' Aid were other groups she dedicated her time to over the years.

Marian is survived by her children: Keith (Debra) Rice of Tioga, ND, Janice Johnson of Scottsdale, AZ, Duane (Deb) Rice of River Falls, WI, Howard (Lisa) Rice of Burlington, ND & Karen Holmen (Joel Rademacher) of Berthold, ND; grandchildren: Rikki (Sarah) Rice, Bobby (Tami) Rice, Jason (Danett) Rice, Trevor (Brittany) Rice, Brett Rice (Kim DiMuzio), Jon "Bucky" Watterud, Emily Potisk, Sara (Brent) Nelson, Joshua Rice, Ryan (Charli) Arndt, Justin Rice (Marissa Wiebusch), Christopher (Amra) Hickel, Anthony (Courtney) Rice, Brooke Walter, Katie Walter, Jared Walter, Jaycee Walter, Tara (Bradley) Uran, Ashley (Aaron) Skarsgard, Nikki (Lynn) Heinle; great grandchildren: Paige, Logan & Leah Aadnes, Cody, Kash & Presley Rice; Zachary, Joseph (Jocci), Dawson & Tyson Rice; Wyatt, Tucker, Lucas & Brantley Rice; Tayton, Rylan & Shaylee Rice; McKenna & Ashlyn Sirek, Logan Gorr, Blake & Brynlee Nelson; Camden & Camille Arndt; Braxton, Benjamin & Sophia Hickel; Cooper, Sawyer & Landri Skarsgard; Maycee Copeland & Hudson Heinle; great-great grandchildren: Karter & Charlotte Rice; Noah Rice; brothers: Roy Jensen & Eugene Jensen; brother-in-law: Jerome (Ardis) Rice; & many nieces, nephews & other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Bud; sister, Delores; daughter-in-law, Wanda Rice; son-in-law, Jim Johnson; great grandson, Oliver Skarsgard.