



Bernice Rach

August 16, 1922 - June 1, 2012

Funeral services for Bernice Rach of Bertha, MN, will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, June 4, 2012 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Bartlett Township, near Verndale, with Pastor Blake Rickbeil presiding. Friends may call at the church on Sunday, June 3, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. and again at the church on Monday from 11:30 a.m. until the time of service. Bernice Lena Viola Rach was born to Bernard "Ben" and Christiana "Frances" (Jacob) Baumgartner on August 16, 1922 in Long Prairie, MN. Bernice Baumgartner and Ernest Henry Rach were united in marriage on November 12, 1950 at St. John Lutheran Church in Wadena. Early in their marriage they moved to California and Washington, later deciding to return to farm in Bartlett Township where they remained for 47 years. Upon retirement they moved into Bertha. Bernice was a member of the Ladies Aid in Bartlett, a homemakers group, and the Senior Citizens in Bertha. Her free time was filled with playing cards, crafting, going to garage sales and the various activities with her homemakers group. At the age of 89, Bernice passed away on June 1, 2012 at Fair Oaks Lodge in Wadena. She was preceded in death by her husband Ernest; and her parents Ben and Frances. She is survived by sisters-in-law, as well as many nieces and nephews. Burial will be in Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery in Bartlett Township. Pallbearers will be Paul Rach, Bruce Rach, Harry Rach Jr, Steven Gaugert, Kenny Ostlund, and Brad Rach.