



Edna Lamson

April 23, 1920 - April 4, 2011

Edna Marie Vanderhoef, age 98, was born on September 21, 1905 to Norman John & Grace (Bergen) Vanderhoef at White Rock, SD. She moved with her family to a farm north of Verndale, and in 1918 to a home in Wadena. Edna graduated from Wadena Senior High School in 1923, then went on to Normal Training School. She taught school in Leaf River Township and at Balsamlund south of Aldrich. Edna was united in marriage to Roy Lamson in 1926 and lived in Wadena where Roy was a city mail carrier for the Postal Service. Edna worked at the B & G Variety Store until their son, Lee, was born. Edna was a 50 year member of the Order of Eastern Star, American Legion Auxiliary and the First Congregational United Church of Christ. She served as president three different times of the Women's Fellowship and Missionary Society. She was made a member of Mayflower Circle, a special society for past presidents. In 1980 Edna wrote a comprehensive history of her church for their Centennial anniversary. Edna also worked in the kitchen, at the bazaar, or where ever she was needed. Edna excelled at crafts such as crochet work, knitting, or embroidery and was generous with them. For many years a special pleasure for her was making handmade baptismal napkins. Edna became a resident of Fair Oaks Lodge in Wadena on February 18th after the death of her son Lee. Edna was also preceded in death by her parents; husband Roy in 1990; sister Louise and her brother Frank. She is survived by her sisters Carrie Lindblom of Aldrich and Irma (Eugene) Allen of Wadena. Burial will take place in the Wadena Cemetery following the services.