



Hazel Messer

January 29, 1921 - March 25, 2011

Memorial services celebrating the life of Hazel Messer, age 90, of Wadena, and formerly of Bertha, MN, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, April 1, 2011 in the Wadena Evangelical Church with Pastor Chuck Lamason and Reverend Dr. Randy Tabor officiating. Hazel was born January 29, 1921, near Verndale to the late Ira and Mable (Mangles) McDonald. She was united in marriage to Wesley Messer on January 1, 1941, in a double ring ceremony with her sister, Ella Buchanan and her husband Charles. Both couples celebrated over 50 years of marriage. Hazel lived her life helping others, and working hard. Hazel loved to cook, bake, do needlework, knit, craft, journal, travel, read, and was always very lucky in cards. She was a member of the WSCS Church group, Ladies Aid, Homemakers Club, TOPS, and the Humphrey Manor Resident Council. Hazel's faith was strong and very important to her. She led by example, always being thankful and feeling blessed. She passed away on March 25, 2011, at the age of 90 years, in Wadena. She will be missed greatly and remembered as a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Hazel is survived by her children Richard (Deanne Pfeffer) of Princeton, Thomas of Menomonie, WI, Edward (Barb Hamper) of Helena, MT, Rachael "Shelly" (Jeron Winter) of Sartell, Michael (Mary Menshek) of Zimmerman; 12 grandchildren & 17 great-grandchildren; brother Charles McDonald of Pengilly; sisters Ella Buchanan of Wadena and Marian Plautz of Zimmerman; brothers and sisters-in-law; nieces and nephews, cousins; and many friends. She was preceded in death by her husband Wesley on June

25, 1997; daughter Jaynell Messer-Haug; son-in-law Allen Haug; grandson Jake Haug; and great-grandson Tyler. Blessed be the memory of her life and the love she gave so unconditionally. The family extends a special thank you to John and Margaret Pohlman for their gentle loving care given to our mother. We are truly blessed. Honorary pallbearers will be Donald Roline, Roger "Butch" Messer, Bud Theil, Arnie Kephart, John Pohlman, and Glen Winter. Pallbearers will be Hazel's grandsons & great-grandsons Ron Messer, Ricky Messer, John Piere, Bill Piere, Brandon Messer, Curt Messer, and Cory Messer. Burial will be in the Moran Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

LC

“ *I will miss her. She was a special lady and always gracious. My heartfelt sympathies to your families.*

Lesa Craven - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *I will always cherish my childhood memories of all the summers spent with Grandma.*

Karen Messer - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ *To Hazel's Family*

Sorry to hear of your mothers passing. I will always remember her smiling face at lunch time. My prayers are with all of you at this sad time. God bless you all

Carla

Carla (Stokes) Nelson - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *So Sorry to hear of your mothers passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Sincerely

Kevin

Kevin Hennagir - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ Thinking of you at this time of sorrow! Your Mom was a beautiful lady!

Bill & Shirley (Winter) Drentlaw - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ Shelly, Jeron, Bill, John and Meg-

We are so very sorry to hear of the passing of you Mom and Grandmother. I remember meeting her when we lived by each other and what a sweet lady she was! I'm sure the wonderful memories you have, will help you through this difficult time.

*Thinking of you!
Karen Darin Heather and Hannah*

Karen Holien McMullen - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Ed, Shelly, and Mike,
So Sorry to hear about your Mom - She was was a wonderful woman - as was your Dad. Be consoled to know that they are once again united in Gods Kingdom.
Julie Randel

Julie (Gorghuber) Randel - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Hazel's extended family. After Hazel moved into Humphrey Manor it was our privilege to visit her several times when we made the trip to Wadena. She was always so cheerful and eager to share about her family. As a young girl I recall Hazel's wonderful cooking and baking for family gatherings. Her needlework and crafts were beautiful gifts. We were blessed to have her as our aunt. God be with you and grant you peace and comfort.

Bertsy Messer Seim - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ Hazel was a very special person and will be missed by many. My deepest condolences to the entire family.

Nyla (Kassube) Benson - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ To all of Hazel's beautiful family, I am so sorry for your loss. Hazel was such a beautiful lady inside and out. We had many visits over the years when we rented your parents farm. She always loved to talk about her children and how they were doing. Since I moved away I have talked to Hazel on occasion by phone. I will always cherish those phone conversations. She was always so up beat and one of the kindest sweetest people I have ever met. I am truly sorry for your loss. I will keep each and everyone of you in my prayers. God Bless You All!!

Lori (Alexander-Goeden) Wiste - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Aunt Hazel was a very special person. It did not take long and you knew you were in the presence of a very gracious lady who had a heart of gold and was blessed with a very special spirit of love and peace. I always "just knew" she had a special and close relationship with our Lord and she made me feel loved just by being around her. She has always had a special spot in my heart and I know she touched my daughter (Abby) in that way too. We have been blessed by having her in our lives and she will be missed. Love and Peace to you all.

Kathy Harrison - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time especially her loving daughter Shelly. May you be comforted by the fact that she is with our Loving Father.

June Bohlig - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ Hazel will be missed by everyone that knew her. Always a smile and kind words when I would see her. As a close friend of Mike's for nearly 40 years she always treated me like I was family. My condolences go out to all of her children and family.

Greg Kramer - March 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM