



Laura Foster

February 4, 1903 - September 8, 2004

Laura Foster of Bertha, passed away on Wednesday, September 8, 2004 at the Central Todd County Care Center in Clarissa at the age of 101 years, 7 months. Laura was born at home on February 4, 1903 in Jackson County, Nebraska. Laura was the fourth child of Joseph and Ada (Laird) Carter. At the age of 3 months, the family moved to a farm in Woodside Township, west of Bertha. Laura graduated from Bertha High School in 1924. After graduation she attended St. Cloud Teachers College in St. Cloud and got her teaching degree. Laura taught in country schools for over 20 years. Her last year of teaching was at a school near Eagle Bend in 1959. Laura married Raymond Foster on November 7, 1931. Raymond passed away on August 7, 1978. The home they shared for 47 years was built on the land adjacent to Bertha, which was homesteaded by Grandpa Westergren. Laura was a very community minded person. She was an original board member when Bertha's Memorial Community Hospital opened. She was on the planning and study committee for two years prior to its opening and served 20 more years on the board. Laura served as president of the Bertha Historical Society and was an active member until the past year. She was also a member of the sewing club, Bertha Women's Club and the American Legion Auxiliary where she served as memorial chairman for many years. Laura was preceded in death by her parents Joseph and Ada; husband Raymond; brothers George, William Earl, Jasper and Theodore; sisters Gertrude Goodale, Florence Harris, Edna Juvrud and Marian Lyson. She is survived by many nieces and nephews who

will sadly miss her greatly as she was the thread that connected the families. The family suggests memorials in Laura's name to the Bertha Historical Society or the charity of the donor's choice.

Tribute Wall

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“ I've heard so many wonderful stories about "Aunt Laura" since my daughter, Kristi, married her nephew, David Koechel. I know she brought a great deal of happiness to a great many people and was loved by all who knew her. My condolences to her family and friends.

Marilyn McKay - September 08, 2004 at 12:00 AM