



Lois Hess-Roetman

May 19, 1929 - June 23, 2003

Lois Arlene (Elmes) Hess, 74, former resident of Eagle Bend, died June 23rd, 2003 at her home in Anchorage, Alaska after a year long illness. Daughter of Dr. Joseph Elmes and Etta Elmes of Eagle Bend, she was born on May 19, 1929. Lois began her teaching career in 1947 in a one room school house outside of Eagle Bend. She received her Bachelors Degree in Education from Moorhead State College. She taught in West Fargo, ND and at George Washington Elementary School in Moorhead, MN for 22 years. She moved to Anchorage in 1979 and taught for 10 years. She retired from the Anchorage School District in 1990 after more than 35 years in education. She attended Community of Christ Church. She worked with the Spenard community and her neighbors for the betterment of the community. The family wrote: "She was a loving person who gave her heart and was respected by all. She devoted her life to helping others as a teacher, community advocate, mentor and friend." She is preceded in death by her first husband Clinton Hess and her 2nd husband Jake Roetman. She is survived by her son Todd Hess and daughter-in-law Susan (Saxman) Hess of Anchorage, AK; grandchildren Clinton Hess, Sarah Hess and Joseph Hess; and sister Vida Van Gundy of Clarissa, MN; and many other relatives and friends. Local funeral services were held on Tuesday, July 1st, 2003, at the United Methodist Church in Eagle Bend with Reverend Gary Taylor, Michael Rasmussen and Howard Baldwin presiding. Pallbearers were Elton Elmes, Jim Elmes, Craig Hess, Rick Hess, Al Hess and Keith Hinzman. Interment was in the Eagle Bend

Cemetery in Eagle Bend.