



Ruth Louise Nelson was born on April 5, 1931 at Trent, SD, the daughter of Homer and Verna (Johnson) Nelson. She grew up and attended school in Trent, graduating from Trent High School in 1949. She married LeRoy Welbig on October 5, 1949 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Dell Rapids. The couple made their home in Dell Rapids. Ruth stayed at home and raised the couples fourteen children. When the children were all school aged, she started working for Grandma's Cafe, Dakota Industry,

Terrace Manor, Sioux Valley Telephone Company, a mink ranch and then the Dell Rapids Elementary School until her retirement.

She enjoyed baseball and basketball. She attended many amateur baseball games and loved the Minnesota Twins and the Minnesota Timberwolves. She enjoyed gardening and flowers and loved to travel on bus tours to Canada, Nashville and Branson.

Ruth is preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, one sister and her son, Ken.

She is survived by her husband of 68 years, LeRoy of Dell Rapids; her 13 children, Linda Peyton of Dell Rapids, Denny (Janice) Welbig of Brookings, Diane (Dennis) Martinson of Dell Rapids, Tom (Pat) Welbig of Harrisburg, Ed (Bonnie) Welbig of Dell Rapids, Terry (Deb) Welbig of Dell Rapids, Calvin (Jane) Welbig of Sioux Falls, Nancy Anderson of Prosper, TX, Mary (Lane) Busser of Colton, Sheila Welbig (Verlyn Wiertzema) of Sioux Falls, Susan Bramley (Brit Smith) of Sioux Falls, Becky (Ray) Doughan of West Des Moines, IA and Jeff (Tracy) Welbig of Dell Rapids; her 37 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren her extended family and many friends.

In Memory of

Ruth Welbig

Born - April 5, 1931 ~ Died - January 2, 2018

Christian Wake Service

St. Mary Catholic Church

Friday, January 5, 2018 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Family Rosary to follow

Mass of Christian Burial

St. Mary Catholic Church

Dell Rapids, South Dakota

Saturday, January 6, 2018 ~ 10:30 a.m.

Celebrant

Father John Lantsberger

Casketbearers

Ruth's grandchildren will
serve as her casketbearers.

Interment

St. Mary Cemetery

Dell Rapids, South Dakota

*Funeral Arrangements by Kahler Funeral Home
Dell Rapids, South Dakota*