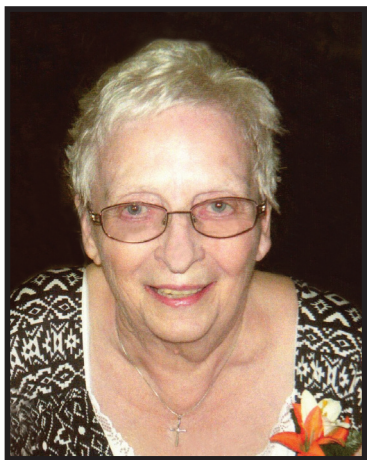


*"I have fought the good fight,
I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith.
Henceforth there is laid up for me
the crown of righteousness..."*

2 Timothy 4:7-8



*On Angel's wings you were taken
But in my heart you'll stay
And in God's light you will rest
Until we meet again someday.*



Esther Yantzer, 84, of Mandan, died peacefully Thursday, January 4, 2018, at her home at Sunset Drive – A Prospera Community with family by her side.

Esther was born June 21, 1933, in Judson, ND to Joseph and Rose (Gratz) Kautzman. She was raised on the family farm north of Judson and attended rural schools in the area. She married Raymond Yantzer on June 21, 1954. In her early married life, Esther was a stay-at-home mom. Later, she provided in-home day care, waitressing at the Moose Club in Mandan and

worked at the Mandan Golden Age Center. Esther's greatest joy was cooking German meals for her family. She also enjoyed camping, gardening, and having coffee with her twelfth street friends.

She is survived by her children: Marlys (Ron) Balkowitsch, Mandan and their children Troy (Heather) and Brandon (Nicole); Myron (Mary Jo) Yantzer, Canton, Ohio and their children Jessica (Chris) Musard and Nathan (Tracy); Marlene (Steve) Hulm, Mandan and their son Brian; Mark (Shelley) Yantzer, Mandan and their children Justin (Brittany) and Tori (Ryan) Spletstoser; Margaret (Dwight) Rasmussen, Washburn and their children Heather (Ben) Seidler, Darin (Danielle Boyle) and Jeffrey (Sarah); Michele (Terry) Himmelspace, Bismarck and their children Ashley (Eric) Hieb, Tara (Zach Herrmann) Himmelspace, Kristin (Brett Berge) Himmelspace; Michael Yantzer, Bismarck and his children Kelly (Lance Zimmer) Yantzer and Madison Yantzer; Mary (Brad Johnson) Fitterer, Mandan and her children Hailey (Nate Guck) Fitterer and Jared; her great-grandchildren Tate Balkowitsch, Kady and Jasper Balkowitsch, Chloe Wilson-Musard, Asher Yantzer (due in March), Dylan Yantzer, Skyla Hoiby, Alex, Lacy and Kinsey Seidler, Mason Hieb, and Wyatt Towne; her sisters Beatrice Mosbrucker and Eileen (Ken) Otto; her brothers Wilbert, Ervin, Raymond (Darlene), James and Dennis (Sheila) Kautzman; sisters-in-law Helen and Lolly Berger and Paulette (Howard) Windhorst; and brother-in-law Melvin (Marjean) Yantzer; her special friends Terry and Francis Helbling and her twelfth street friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her grandson Eric Hulm; her parents; sisters-in-law Delores, Frances, and Veronica Kautzman; brothers-in-law Pete Mosbrucker, John and Ray Berger, and Henry Yantzer.

Please go to www.BuehlerLarson.com to share memories of Esther.

Parish Vigil & Rosary
Vigil Presider
Rosary Leader
Funeral Liturgy

Monday, January 8, 2018; 7:00 pm
 Deacon Bob Wingenbach
 Mary Winbauer
 Tuesday, January 9, 2018; 10:30 am
 St. Joseph Catholic Church
 Mandan, North Dakota

Celebrant
Con-Celebrant
Musician & Vocalist
Lectors

Reverend Shane Campbell
 Rev. Jerry Kautzman
 Gene Mosbrucker & Melissa Mosbrucker
 Darin & Jeff Rasmussen

Pallbearers Granddaughters ~ Jessica Musard, Tori Spletstoser, Ashley Hieb
 Tara Himmelspace, Kristin Himmelspace, Heather Seidler
 Kelly Yantzer, Madison Yantzer, & Hailey Fitterer

Prelude "Borning Cry"
 Opening "Here I am, Lord"

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 25-28, 30-31
 Responsorial Psalm Psalm 25

"To you, O Lord, I lift my soul. To you I lift my soul."

New Testament Reading 2 Corinthians 4:13-17, 5:1
 Gospel Reading John 14:1-4, 27-28

Homily

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts Song "Old Rugged Cross"
 Presentation of Gifts Grandsons ~ Troy, Brandon, Nathan, Brian
 Justin, Darin, Jeff, & Jared

Consecration of Eucharist
 Communion Songs "Amazing Grace" & "Be Not Afraid"
 Meditation "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman"
 Final Commendation "Old Hundredth"
 Closing Song "On Eagles Wings"

*Private family committal will take place at Mandan Union Cemetery.
 The family invites you for refreshments and fellowship at the
 Mandan Moose Lodge, 111 11th Ave NE, following the funeral service.*