MEMORIAL SERVICE Of **DORIS E. KROEKER**

Bethesda Mennonite Church Henderson, Nebraska Monday, October 20, 2025

COMMITTAL SERVICE 9:45 a.m.

Bethesda Mennonite Church Cemetery

Scripture Reading Pastor J Epp

Psalm 23. John 14:1-7

"Gentle Shepherd" **Dot Quiring**

Committal Prayer & Family Blessing Pastor Chelsea Vaught

Casket Bearers

Kyle Kroeker Andrew Jost Robert Hamilton **Grant Hiebner** Cody Brown Andrew Addink Cody Kroeker Donovan Egger Cade Rice

Honorary Casket Bearers

Angela Jost Alvssa Kroeker Shannon Hamilton Cassie Kroeker Carly Hiebner Christianne Kroeker Keeley Kroeker Ashton Brown Makenna Addink Kalli Rice Megan Kroeker Allison Kroeker Daylynn Egger Dannica Mosier

MEMORIAL SERVICE 10:30 a.m.

Prelude Laura Steingard, Pianist Call to Worship & Prayer Pastor Chelsea Vaught

"Savior Like a Shepherd" **Dot Quiring** Celebration of Life Pastor Chelsea Vaught **Family Reflections** Angela Jost Scripture Reading: Romans 12:12 Pastor J Epp Pastor J Epp Message "When We All Get to Heaven" (see insert) Invitation to Lunch Pastor J Epp Benediction Pastor J Epp Laura Steingard, Pianist Postlude

MEMORIALS may be directed to Bethesda Mennonite Church or Legacy Square.

THE FAMILY OF DORIS KROEKER would like to express our heartfelt thanks for all who have shown us kindness during this time. Our hearts are full from your support and generosity. Everyone is invited to a lunch in the Fellowship Hall following the Memorial Service.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Doris E. (Dick) Kroeker was born on October 27, 1933, at home on the farm in Hampton, Nebraska to Henry G. and Anna (Quiring) Dick. Doris was the firstborn of five children. She attended grade school at District 3 Country School, Hampton High School and then graduated from Grace Bible Institute in 1953. While at Grace Bible Institute, Doris was involved in the Grace Chorale Singers.

Doris accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior at the age of 7 after praying with her mother while listening to a kid's program on the Back to the Bible Broadcast. Her parents created a home where Jesus was the center. Doris was baptized at the age of 12 in the Blue River. Following her baptism, they went to the church to have a foot washing service and share in communion. Doris was a member of the Mennonite Brethren Church until her marriage.

Doris was united in marriage to Harold W. Kroeker on September 2, 1955. The first thing they did when they arrived at their honeymoon motel was to kneel beside the bed and pray. They committed to each other and their total marriage to following Jesus Christ. Doris was a wonderful wife and

mother and raised four God fearing men. She was extremely proud of her sons and the lives they led.

Doris was an active member of the Bethesda Mennonite Church. She was a vibrant Sunday School teacher for many years, sang in the Chancel Choir, sang with the Women's Triple Trio group, served on circles and attended faithfully every Sunday. One of her joys, in her last years of attending Sunday morning worship service, in Henderson or Hillsboro, was to sit with her great grandchildren and watch them love Jesus with their whole hearts.

Doris's hobbies included baking all kinds of goodies, especially zweiback and chocolate chip cookies, sewing, embroidery, reading, jigsaw puzzles and gardening. She thoroughly loved attending sports and musical events of her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The past few years, she resided at Rosewood Court and then Legacy Square in Henderson. Doris enjoyed the staff and residents of the long term care facility. She was active and participated in all the daily activities. She loved the Scavenger Hunts, the Bingo games and loved being the Gold Medal Corn Hole Champion. The family is very thankful for the care she received at the Henderson Health Care Facility. She peacefully passed away on October 10, 2025 to her Heavenly home.

Doris is survived by her four sons and their families, David and Kim of Hillsboro, Kansas, their children, Angela and Andrew Jost, Shannon and Robert Hamilton, Kyle and Alyssa Kroeker and Cassie Kroeker. Jay and Marilyn of Henderson, Nebraska, their children Carly and Grant Hiebner, Christianne Kroeker and Ashton and Cody Brown. John and Michelle of Roca, Nebraska, their children Makenna and Andrew Addink, Keeley Kroeker and Kalli and Cade Rice. Paul and Dannielle of Henderson, their children Cody Kroeker, Megan Kroeker, Allison Kroeker, Donovan Egger, Dannica and Ryan Mosier and Daylynn Egger.

Her great grandchildren Addison, Easton, Brendan, Collin and Madelyn Jost, Ellie Sue and Isaac Hamilton, Blakely, Everett, Trey and Chloe Kroeker, Caden, Emma and Olivia Hiebner, Thea and Emery Brown.

Doris is also survived by her siblings, Leanna Penner of Aurora, Beverly Wright and husband Pal of Olathe, Kansas, Phyllis Nickel of Wichita, Kansas, and LeRoy Dick and wife Judy of Hampton; siblings in law, Philip and Velma Kroeker of Upland, IN, and Sandra Schmidt of Wichita, KS, and many nieces and nephews.

Doris was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 54 years, Harold W. Kroeker, her parents, Henry G. and Anna Dick, parents in law, Harold J. and Minnie Kroeker, brothers in law, Jim Pickle and Orville Schmidt.



In Loving Memory

Doris E. Kroeker

October 27, 1933 – October 10, 2025

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