



Fern Hintz

November 1, 1908 - March 16, 2012

Funeral services for Fern will be on Monday, March 19, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Grace Lutheran Church, rural Ohioa, with Pastor Jon Jensen officiating. Visitation will begin on Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Farmer & Son Funeral Home in Geneva. Burial will be in the Grace Lutheran Cemetery. Memorials are directed to the Grace Lutheran Church and Grace Lutheran Cemetery.

Fern Hintz was born to Lewis Blanke and Mary Rippe Blanke on November 1, 1908, in rural Ohioa, Nebraska. She passed away March 16, 2012, at Blue Valley Lutheran Nursing Home in Hebron, Nebraska, at the age of 103 years, 4 months and 15 days. She was the oldest of three children in the family. Fern was a life-long member of Grace Lutheran Church, Ohioa. She was baptized January 10, 1909 and confirmed April 9, 1922. She attended school at Districts #34, #39, and #84 and graduated from 8th grade.

Fern worked for many fellow neighbors over the years before entering into marriage with Paul Hintz on February 22, 1934. To this union, one son, Verlyn Dean, was born on May 21, 1939. Fern and Paul lived in the rural areas around Strang, Ohioa, and Bruning, Nebraska. She performed many farm life duties including picking corn by hand with horses, milking cows, raising chickens, driving the tractor, and learning to run the combine while her son was in the service. Fern wasn't afraid of any work to be done and was always willing to help anyone in need.

Her hobbies included gardening, canning, sewing, and quilting. She had

strong Christian faith and was an active member of the Grace Lutheran Ladies Aid serving in all offices throughout her membership. She also enjoyed going to many barn dances throughout the surrounding area. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and was always interested and proud of them in their activities. She never missed a Grandparents Day celebration.

In 2011, she went to live at the Blue Valley Lutheran Nursing Home and later the Courtyard Terrace. She kept busy with all the activities, and especially liked peeling potatoes. Many knew Fern as an avid story teller known for her sharp memory and detailed recollection. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents Lewis and Mary Blanke, husband, Paul, son, Verlyn, son-in-law, Edwin Clayton, and sister and brother-in-law, Laverne and Herman Dageforde.

Surviving family members are brother and sister-in-law Melvin and Marie Blanke of Hebron, daughter-in-law Faye Hintz Clayton of Bruning, grandchildren Kyle Hintz and wife Cindy of Strang, Kory Hintz and wife Cherie of Bruning, Kara Edwards and husband James of Hebron, and Kren Shellhase and husband Hunter of Lincoln, great-grandchildren Ryan Bolles and wife Lorili, Jason Pace and wife Cristyna, Trevor and Gavin Hintz, Peyton and Bode Edwards, and Presley Shellhase, and many great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Kory,Cherie & family, Our sympathy to your family.*

Jeanne & Brian Kottas - March 20, 2012 at 10:06 AM

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“ *Deepest Sympathy to the family of Fern Hintz. She was a beautiful soul here on Earth...but Heaven is even more brighter with her presence. She has been reunited with her parents, husband, son and others who had gone before her. Fern was a fine example to all of us on how to "live". Her smile is something that we will always treasure! Although you feel sadness because of your loss...be joyous for her because she is Home! Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers!*

Kevin, Jodi & Holden Wolfeich - March 18, 2012 at 01:22 PM