

Verna Giese – Diploma 1941 Bismarck Hospital School of Nursing

Verna Giese, 94, New Salem, died March 3, 2015, at Elm Crest Manor, New Salem. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 6, at Buehler-Larson Funeral Home Chapel, New Salem, with Chaplain Burnie Kunz officiating. Burial will be at Bethel Cemetery, rural New Salem.

Visitation will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. today at Elm Crest Manor, New Salem, and continues one hour prior to the service at the chapel on Friday.

Verna was born April 12, 1920, in Mandan, to Louis and Hattie Scheerle. She grew up on her family farm south of Judson and attended school through the eighth grade.

On Oct. 15, 1939, she married Theodore "Ted" Giese in New Salem. They lived on Verna's family farm for some time, later renting a farmstead from Ted's aunt. They returned to the Scheerle farmstead which they purchased and raised their family, farmed and ranched until their retirement. Verna loved gardening and tending to her flowers. Every Saturday she baked bread for her family. A kind and faithful woman, she was a lifetime member of Bethel Church.

Blessed to have shared her life are two sons, Vernon and Robert Giese, both of Bismarck; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Lorena Ereth, Mandan, and Erna Weigel, New Salem.

Verna was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of nearly 73 years in 2012; one daughter, LaVonne Becher; and two sisters, Delora Pflieger and Ina Scheerle.

Memorials are preferred to Elm Crest Manor in New Salem.

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