



Elaine Clara Pollert

September 8, 1932 - February 23, 2025

Elaine Pollert, 92, passed away peacefully on February 23, 2025, at Bethany on University in Fargo, ND. Her funeral service will be held 11:00 am, Friday, February 28 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kathryn, ND. Visitation will be one hour before the service at the church.

Elaine Clara Hardtke was born September 8, 1932. She was the oldest child of Clarence and Rose (Freehauf) Hardtke. She grew up on the family farm south of Marion and attended school in LaMoure. After high school, Elaine attended college in Valley City where she obtained her teaching certificate. She taught school in a one room schoolhouse in Barnes County. On July 27, 1952, she married Duane Pollert. Duane and Elaine lived and farmed in the Marion area, and later near Fort Ranson, ND. They moved to Kathryn, ND in 1966.

Elaine and Duane were inseparable throughout their lives, doing everything together. Elaine loved raising her family. She spent many hours in her garden and kitchen where she could be found cooking and baking. Those who were fortunate enough to taste her homemade bread were always in for a real treat. Elaine cooked at the Kathryn School for several years. She was involved in community activities and enjoyed teaching Sunday school, attending Ladies Circle, and quilting at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Elaine enjoyed visiting her many friends.

In 2014 Duane and Elaine moved to Valley City. In 2020, Elaine entered Bethany Nursing Home where she was on a first name basis with staff and residents.

Elaine is survived by her children Berniece Bosch and Bonnie Goecke (Bruce) all of Fargo, Mark (Dianna) of Jamestown, Melanie (Patrick) Sawyer of Shakopee, MN; brother Robert Hardtke of Jamestown; sister Marleen Schell of Grants Pass, Oregon; seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, a brother Arnold Hardtke and son-in-law Curt Kasin

Memorials may be directed to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Kathryn.

Cemetery Details

St. Paul's Cemetery

Kathryn, ND

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St Paul's Lutheran Parish
113 5th St
Kathryn, ND 58049-4004
(701) 796-8261

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - October 16, 2025 at 10:07 AM

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“ *So many memories- from the house above the Kathryn Dam to the many years next door to us! ❤️ Elaine was like our second momma! Countless birthdays, holidays, celebrated together! She will always be in our hearts 😊!*

Deb Tangen - March 05, 2025 at 01:47 PM

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“ *The Pollert house was my second home until I moved to Valley City. Elaine was a joy to be around. She had a wonderful laugh and big warm hugs. My deepest sympathy to the family, especially Berniece and Bonnie.*
Phyllis McKee

Phyllis McKee - February 27, 2025 at 01:18 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Elaine Clara Pollert.*



February 24, 2025 at 05:02 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elaine Clara Pollert.

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