



Lydia Pearl Bowman

November 25, 1917 - May 10, 2009

Lydia Pearl Bowman, aged 91, Valley City, North Dakota, went home to be with her Lord & Savior on Mother's Day, Sunday May 10th, 2009 at the Sheyenne Care Center, Valley City.

Pearl was born on the Wagar family homestead near Inkster, ND on November 25, 1917, the fifth of six children born to Fred and Lillie Wagar, and attended Inkster Public Schools through the eighth grade.

She married Byron Bowman on September 26, 1942 in Valley City, ND and in 1949 they adopted their daughter Eunice.

Aunt Pearl, as she was known by nearly everyone, had a servant's heart and was happiest when "doing for others". She worked for a time at Bloom's Bakery in Valley City, as a housekeeper for several Valley City families, served as head cook at Storybook Lodge Bible Camp near Biwabik, Minnesota for over 20 years, and later at the Tewksbury Ranch Bible Camp near Hurdsfield, ND for more than 10 years. But her biggest joy in life came from being homemaker to Byron and Eunice.

Pearl loved her Lord, loved her family, loved her friends and loved to bake. No Church or family gathering was complete without a representative sampling of Aunt Pearl's pies, and rarely would you visit her home without being treated to something sweet, hot, and fresh out of the oven.

Pearl was preceded in death by her parents, Fred & Lillie Wagar, her husband, Byron Bowman, a sister Vanetta Murphy, and four brothers, Eldon, Ray, Elmer, and Harry.

She is survived by her daughter Eunice (John) Herro of Denver, Colorado, and dozens of nieces and nephews, both biological and honorary.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel
251 Central Ave. S.
Valley City, ND

Service

MAY 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Hi Eunice, Been looking back at old obituaries on the VC funeral home sites and see that your Mom passed away a few years ago. My sympathies in your loss of Mom. My Mom's been gone 9 1/2yrs, and I still miss her! I remem being at your house and meeting her several time when we were school age. Don't remem what it was for. Maybe Girl Scouts. Boy, that has to be 50 yrs ago!! Ugh. That sounds terrible! Can we possibly be that old?!? Anyway, just wanted to greet you and share my heartfelt condolences. :) -Barb

Barb Harris McCarty - March 11, 2013 at 03:19 PM



“ Eunice,
Sorry to hear that Pearl has passed on, but we know she is home with the lord.
I remember visiting at her home many times and we were always welcome and she would have something really good to eat.
We are sorry that we can't make it out at this time.
Alvin & Robin Bontreger
box 100
Beetown Wi 53802

Abe Bontreger
box 3
Beetown Wi. 53802###imported-begin##Alvin J Bontreger, Abe Bontreger##imported-end##

May 12, 2009 at 06:45 PM



“ Dear Eunice,
Our deepest sympathy and sorry that we will be unable to attend.
Our thoughts and prayers will be with you.
Love,
Joe and Elinor Wagar
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Wagar##imported-end##

May 11, 2009 at 10:04 PM



“ I went to the Care Center Sunday about 2:00pm with a Dairy Queen
Chocolate Sundae, which Pearl loved Dairy Queen ,
only to find Pearl not there so I went to the nurse's station and was
told of her passing. It was like I had been struck in the chest but
then I realized she has been ready for a long time and now she is
home with her family and her Lord. I will miss her dearly. Love,
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May 11, 2009 at 04:16 PM