



Elizabeth Burss

OBITUARY Elizabeth "Beth" Rhoda Burss was born on March 12, 1931 in Alexandria, MN, the daughter of Milford and Freda (Voight) Trefethren. Beth attended school in Alexandria, MN. She married Dale Burss on September 21, 1949 and 10 children were born to this union. Beth was the foundation of the family. She made sure her children were taken care of while they grew up. She was a great cook and a wonderful baker. "Gram" was famous for her delicious brownies. She liked gardening, bird watching, and spooky movies. She also liked sewing, quilting, playing cards, and reading. Beth took one hour out of the day to watch her favorite daytime soap opera, "Days of Our Lives". During that hour Beth did not answer the door or her phone or talk to anyone. Besides Beth's one hour to herself, her time was spent helping raise her grandchildren with love and compassion. When a new grandchild was born into the family, she made them each a special quilt. She was a generous and loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother who will be missed by those who knew and loved her. Elizabeth R. Burss died on Saturday, February 25, 2012 at the Douglas County Hospital at the age of 80 years old. She is survived by her loving children Vicky (Dale Radke) Burss of Hancock, MN; Barb Burss of Alexandria, MN; Melford Burss of Greensboro, NC; Pam (Mike) Wendland of Alexandria, MN; Ginny (Paul) Stier of Alexandria, MN; Randy (Wendy) Burss of Alexandria, MN; Dale (Mary) Burss of Nelson, MN; and Jake Burss of Evansville, MN. She is also survived by her grandchildren Corey (Holly) Wendland; Kayla Wendland; Caitlin Wendland; Adam (Claire) Stier;

Justin Stier; Mallory Stier; Alyssa (Chris) Frederick; Christina Burss; Ramsey Burss; Jamie Burss; and Brady Burss; great-grandchildren Ashley Wendland, Nolan Wendland, and Jaidyn Wendland; sisters Jean Urness of St. Cloud, MN; Margaret Anderson of Alexandria, MN; Marian Nordheim (Sonny) of New Brighton, MN; sister-in-law Marlys Trefethren of Fargo, ND; brother-in-law Daniel Huntsperger of Blaine, MN; and many nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents; sons David Burss and Mitchell Burss; brother Sonny; sister Audrey; ex-husband Dale Burss Sr.; and brother-in-law Harlan Urness. A memorial service was held on Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at the Anderson Funeral Home Chapel with the Reverend Rick Martin officiating. Anderson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. www.andersonfuneral.net