



## Mary Zehner

Mary Louisa was born on June 13, 1922, in Garfield, Minnesota the daughter of Carl and Dena (Kloehn) Klug. She was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church in Garfield. While working as a waitress at the Garden Center Mary met Gordon Zehner and on September 26, 1943 the couple was married at St. John's Church. Mary and Gordon raised their family in the Leaf Valley area where they were members of Ebenezer Lutheran Church. Mary was very involved at Ebenezer in the Ladies Aide. Gordon died in 1972 and Mary continued to live in the Leaf Valley area until she moved to Alexandria. During this time she was very active at Zion Lutheran Church and worked at Knute Nelson and volunteered there for many years. She also enjoyed gardening, cooking, playing cards, reading the Bible and many other books. Mary died on Saturday, March 31, 2012. She is survived by her children: James of Evansville, MN, Katherine (Milton) Ost of New Hope, MN, Bonnie (Ken) Diedrich-Houston of Emmet, Idaho; six grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, April 4, 2012, 11:30 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church in Alexandria. Pallbearers were her grandsons and nephews. Burial was at the Ebenezer Cemetery in Leaf Valley. [text here](#)