



## Dorothy Drowden

July 14, 1919 - November 20, 2013

Dorothy M. Drowen, 94, died Wednesday, November 20, 2013 at Dow-Rummel Village in Sioux Falls while under hospice care. Dorothy Maxine Wallenberg was born on July 14, 1919 in Beaver Creek Township, Minnesota, the daughter of Adolph and Belle (Olson) Wallenberg. She grew up there and graduated from Beaver Creek High School in 1937. She then attended Nettleton College. In 1942 she married Jim Rothenbuehler and they had one son, Terry. On September 9, 1949, she was married to Russell "Bud" Drowden in Canton and they had four children: Pam, Deb, Roland and Carol. Following their marriage they lived in Lennox. She was employed at Dakota Industries, first as an inspector and then as a pattern maker from 1969 until here retirement in 1981. Her husband died on December 6, 1978. She continued to live in Lennox since that time. Dorothy was a faithful member of First English Lutheran Church where she served on the Altar Guild was active in WELCA and helped make quilts. She was a member of the Lennox Senior Citizens and the Lennox American Legion Auxiliary for 50 years, having served as presid-ent in 1960. Besides her parents she was preceded in death by her husband; one son, Roland Drowden, on October 11, 1981; her siblings: Elmer Wallenberg, Edna Noll and Alphonse Swenson and one grandson, Barry Lee. Grateful for having shared her life are one son, Terry (Barb) Rothenbuehler, Rochert, MN, Pam (Galyn) Rippentrop, Sioux Falls, Deb Peterson, Sioux Falls, Carol (Don) Burma, Lennox; nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter. Services will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, Nov .23, at First English Lutheran Church, Lennox will burial in the Lennox Cemetery. Visitation will begin at noon Friday at Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home with the family present from 7 to 8 p.m.

# Tribute Wall

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“ My sympathy and prayers goes out to the Drowden family. I worked along side Dorothy at Dakota Industries after I graduated, around 1980. I enjoyed going to work every day because I felt like she was my new best friend.

*When your heart is empty, filling it with happy memories can help you find your smile.*

*Alda Miller (Javers)*

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**Alda Miller (Javers)** - November 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our prayers to the Rothenbuehler/Drowden families. Herman & Joni Janssen

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**Herman Janssen** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our prayers are with all of you. God Bless. Harold and Karen

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**Harold and Karen Conklin** - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dorothy was such a dear lady! I so enjoyed getting to know her over these past number of weeks. She kept her sense of humor up until the end. We enjoyed praying together and singing together, and it made my day every time I got to be with her. Dorothy's love of her faith and her family was so very clear. To all of her family - know how much she loved you all. She and I spoke of faith quite often, and she knew that because of God's love and mercy, she WILL see you all again. And whenever you are missing her most, pause and read Psalm 23 - her favorite. An excerpt: "Surely goodness and kindness will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forevermore." Yes, Dorothy - you WILL! God love you!

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**Carol Nesbitt** - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM