



## Eleanor Cavin

August 1, 1934 - February 16, 2012

Eleanor Cavin, 77, died early Thursday morning, February 16, 2012 at Sanford USD Medical Center. Eleanor Schaeffer was born on August 1, 1934 at Menno, South Dakota, the daughter of Albert and Linda (Ulmer) Schaeffer. She grew up in the Menno area where she attended rural school. On March 11, 1956 she was married to Robert Cavin at Menno, South Dakota. They lived their entire married life in Lennox. She worked as a nursing assistant at Sioux Valley Hospital for 25 years. Robert died on February 6, 2011, ending a marriage of over 50 years. Eleanor was a member of Faith Presbyterian Church where she served as a Deacon and with the women's group. She had been a member of the Lennox American Legion Auxiliary. Besides her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by siblings, Milton Schaeffer, Wilbert Schaeffer, Betty Stelzer and Lentina Johnson. Grateful for having shared her life are her children: Bryan (Georgina) Cavin, Lennox, Patty (Jeff) Meints, Randy (Emillia) Cavin and Brenda (Martin) Benning all of Sioux Falls; 11 grandchildren: Rachel, Whitney, Miriah, Wesley, Christina, Tyler, Connor, Jessica, Travis, Jasmine and Samatha; six great-grandchildren; siblings: Harold Schaeffer and Adeline Burton both of Yankton; sister-in-law Doris Cavin, Pennsylvania as well as other relatives and friends. Services will begin at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18 at Faith Presbyterian Church, Lennox with burial to follow in the Lennox Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 2:00 p.m. Friday with the family present from 7 to 8 p.m. at Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home, Lennox.



# Tribute Wall

CP

“ I am so sorry for your Moms passing. I wanted to see her but never got the chance to get down there. I sure seen her as my 2nd mom and always will

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**Cameron Poppenga** - February 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ I could go on for days about all the pleasant memories of the entire Cavin family. Eleanor was such a big part of those memories. I'll never forget the get together of our two families initiated by Eleanor shortly after the passing of my dad. That meant so much. The Cavin house on north main was like a second home and Eleanor always made you feel welcome. My deepest sympathies to the Cavin family. Your moms warm heart and sense of humor will never be forgotten.

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**Matt Bickett** - February 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family. I have a lot of fond memories of Eleanor and how she took care of us all. She was like a second mother. May she rest in peace. She will always be remembered.

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**mike bickett** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ It was a pleasure to care for Eleanor and meet such a loving family. I will be thinking of you and keep you all in my prayers.

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**Lori S** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SZ

“ I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your loved one! May you find peace in knowing she is resting peacefully in Gods hands. I will never forget her smile...R.I.P great aunt E!!!!

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**Stacy Lofswold Zitterich** - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ Randy,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Treasure her memories in your heart.

*Arlen and Janie Thomsen*

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**Arlen Thomsen** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ I am sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. May God be with you and your families at this time of loss.  
*Lisa Thomsen*  
*Connor Cavin*

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**Lisa Thomsen** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM