



## Jewel Sweeter

June 11, 1931 - March 17, 2018

Jewel Sweeter, 86, Worthing, SD, died Saturday, March 17, 2018 at the Sanford Centennial Hospice Cottage, Sioux Falls.

Jewel Jane Ulfers was born on the family farm near Chancellor, SD, on June 11, 1931, the daughter of Edward L. and Tillie (Jurgens) Ulfers. She attended District 87 rural school and then graduated from Chancellor High School in 1948. She attended Nettleton Commercial College for two years while working at John Morrell & Co. She went on to work for the Lennox Public School District for 14 years.

Jewel was united in marriage to Harold Sweeter on August 26, 1949 at the Germantown Presbyterian Church, rural Chancellor. The couple made their home and farmed south of Worthing. Jewel was an active member of Second Reformed Church where she belonged to RCW and was the church librarian for over 30 years. She was also a Gold Star Sister and member of the Chancellor American Legion Auxiliary. Jewel enjoyed crocheting, family genealogy and feeding and watching birds. In 2016 she moved into Lennox. Besides her parents and husband, Harold, Jewel was preceded in death her brother, John Ulfers in 1968 and son-in-law, Leland DeVries in 2012.

Grateful for having shared her life are her five children: Ken (Marlene) Sweeter, Worthing, Shirley DeVries, Davis, Vivian (Mark) Eitreim, Lennox, Arden (Rochelle) Sweeter, Worthing and Robbie (Kristi) Sweeter, Lennox; 14 grandchildren: Kathi (Steve) Heckert, Kurtis (Wendy) Sweeter, Michael (Jennifer) Sweeter, Shawn (Kelli) DeVries, Lisa DeVries, John (Christina)

Eitreim, Jeremy (Melanie) Eitriem, Jenilee (Josh) Wiebesiek, Jared (Kylie) Sweeter, Cody (Jenea) Sweeter, Blake (Kris) Sweeter, Andrew (Catelyn Rud) Sweeter, Grant Sweeter and Corissa Sweeter; 17 great-grandchildren: Colt, Karin, Bode, Kade, Aubree, Zoe, Abigayle, Ethan, Aerial, Sydni, Oliver, Neveah, Emmitt, Cash, Hadley, Kirby and Macksen; siblings: Stuart (Frances) Ulfers, Eagen. MN and Marjo (Gary) Dannen, Chancellor, as well as other relatives and friends.

. Services will begin at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, March 22 at Second Reformed Church, Lennox with private family burial in the Lennox Cemetery. Visitation with the family present, also at Second Reformed Church, will be 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to charity.

# Tribute Wall

AG

“ We are sending our Sympathy to all of the Family. Jewel

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**Al and Kay Goeman** - March 21, 2018 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ We are diminished by the loss of a great friend. I grew up with Jewel Jane and brother Stuart. Our mothers were friends dating back to their Chancellor High School days. Jewel and I had a common interest in the family history. We will miss her yearly update. Love you, Roger Lee Miller

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**Roger Lee Miller** - March 21, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MU

“ Out thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Unfortunately we will not be able to attend the funeral as I will be taking Dad for eye surgery on Thursday. We love and miss all of you.

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**Mark and Mary Ellen Ulfers** - March 21, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I remember well my times spent on the farm with Aunt Jewel, Uncle Harold and cousins - going to Achievement Days in Canton, walking the bean fields, and playing in the hay loft. Jewel kept us busy whether it was picking eggs or picking apples. Always enjoyed my time there. Sending our sincere sympathy for your loss. Marilyn and Tom

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**Marilyn Miller** - March 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ So sorry to learn of Jewel's passing. Thoughts and prayers are with the family.

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**Dorothy Jelsma Kiepke** - March 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ So sorry to hear of Aunt Jewel's passing. My deepest sympathy to all of you.

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**Sherrlyn Garrow** - March 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM