



## Luetta Weeldreyer

January 16, 1929 - April 7, 2023

Luetta Weeldreyer, 94, of Lennox, SD, passed away Friday, April 7, 2023 at her home, under hospice care, surrounded by her family.

Luetta Bernice Friese was born to Louis and Etta (Herlyn) Friese, on January 16, 1929 at their home near Parker, SD. She grew up attending country schools through the 8th grade. She was then able to attend Chancellor High School while boarding with a couple from their church, learning to operate a telephone switchboard and also working part-time at the Chancellor Grocery Store until she was able to car pool with some neighbor boys. She graduated Valedictorian of her class in 1946. Luetta then attended Northwestern College in Orange City, IA, while working nights in the telephone office. After graduation she taught in the Marion, SD, school for several years.

On February 11, 1953, she married Warren Weeldreyer of Chancellor and became a farm wife. Luetta returned to college night classes in the mid 1960's and opened the first Kindergarten in the area, in the Chancellor Legion Hall. Warren and Luetta share-cropped and lived on a farm near Chancellor until 1973, then purchased a farm south of Lennox and farmed there until 1997. That year their son Leon, built a retirement house for them in Lennox.

Warren and Luetta had six children together. Warren preceded her in death in 2014 after 61 years of marriage. Luetta was active in many things throughout her life, especially in the Chancellor Reformed Church in which she grew up. She also served on Christian Women's Club Advisory Board. She led many Bible studies in her home until 2020.

Blessed to have her as their mother are her children: Leon (Karen), Lennox, Lynette (Tim) Waugh, Lawrenceville, GA, Kent (Denise), Sioux Falls, Julie (Rick) Timmer, Sioux Falls, Sherri (Kevin) Jones, Prior Lake, MN, and Arlyn (Shannon), Lennox; 17 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren, as well as many cousins, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents, husband, brother, Harold Friese, sister, Dorothy Martin and many brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 17 at Chancellor Reformed Church with burial to follow in the Chancellor Reformed Cemetery. Visitation, also at Chancellor Reformed Church will be 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, April 16.

# Tribute Wall

DO

“ *Sending our sympathy to you and your family in the loss of your mom. Sorry, we just read this. May God give you comfort.* ”



Delmer and Kathy Otten - April 25, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *To the most amazing woman, my “double cousin” who I will always cherish every time we got to spend together. Love her so much!!!* ”



Joyce L Williamson - April 16, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *I'm sorry for your loss. I'm blessed to have known her.* ”

Mona Carlson Murphy - April 16, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.* ”

Jennifer and Lonnie Klundt - April 15, 2023 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *Praise God for a life well lived! I pray for God's loving comfort, strength, and peace for you and your family.*  
*Lorraine Fields* ”

Lorraine Fields - April 14, 2023 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ So very sorry for your loss. We are praying for you & your family to feel God's peace, presence & comfort during this time.

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**Roland & Barby Jacques** - April 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you as you celebrate her life and mourn her passing. Knowing of her strong faith, she is being rewarded by joining those who have gone before her and she was met at Heaven's gate by the Lord.

*Mrs. Weeldreyer was my Kindergarten teacher when we had class in the Legion Hall and she was a favorite of mine. It was always fun to visit with her when I'd run into her at some of the Chancellor functions I'd attend over the years.*

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**Debra (Minkel) Petersen** - April 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ Thoughts and prayers to the family.

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**Brian Robert Lind** - April 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM