



Beatrice M. Nelson

April 25, 1924 - December 22, 2013

Beatrice "Bea" M. Nelson, 89 year old resident of Little Falls, MN passed away Sunday, December 22, 2013 at Highland Senior Living in Little Falls. A Funeral Service will be held at 11 AM on Friday, December 27, 2013 at First Lutheran Church in Little Falls. Pastor David Sperstad will officiate and burial will be at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Little Falls. Friends and family may call from 4 to 7 PM on Thursday, December 26th at Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, and from 10 to 11 AM on Friday at the church. Beatrice Marion Popilek was born on April 25, 1924 in Little Falls, MN to the late Ben and Mary (Olson) Popilek. She grew up in Little Falls and graduated from Little Falls High School in 1942. Bea then attended Normal Training and graduated in 1943 with her teaching certificate. She then attended St. Cloud State College to further her education. Bea was united in marriage to Arthur Phillip Nelson on August 23, 1945 at First Lutheran Church in Little Falls, MN. Bea was a school teacher in rural country schools in Morrison County from 1943 to 1968. She taught and tutored at Lincoln Elementary School in Little Falls from 1969 until her retirement in 1979.

Bea enjoyed sewing, quilting and camping. She was a very active member at First Lutheran Church in Little Falls, MN, where she was the children's choir director for eight years, taught Sunday School and was Sunday School Superintendent for many years. She also enjoyed spending a week each year at Luther Crest Bible Camp as a counselor. Bea was a member of First Lutheran Church in Little Falls, and the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary.

Bea is survived by her son, Douglas Nelson, and wife Janet , of Highlands Ranch, CO; brothers-in-law, Lawrence Seelen and Willard Doucette, both of Little Falls; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Arthur; sisters, Helen Popilek, Mary Ellen Doucette, and Sarah Seelen; brother, Melvin Popilek; and sister-in-law, Marlene Popilek.

Cemetery Details

Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery

15550 Highway 115
Little Falls, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Lutheran Church - Little Falls
2100 Riverview Drive
Little Falls, MN

Service

DEC 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Beatrice M. Nelson*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Dear Nelson Family,*

*My deepest sympathy to you all.
I knew your mom and dad over the years. Your dad was our mailman out on Route 3 in Little Falls. I and my five siblings greeted him down by the mailbox quite regularly. Later in life while I was shopping locally I would run into them and was able to meet your mom. Yes, they always had smiles. Then I became employed at a local grocery store and they were regular customers and I was able to greet them quite often. They always wanted to know how the family was and also my siblings. They were a very kind couple and they will be missed. God Bless you all.*

Debbie Jelinski-Harakel

Debbie Jelinski-Harakel - January 11, 2014 at 04:55 PM



“ *Dear Doug and Jan,
Sorry for your loss, God's comfort to you. I'm glad I went to all the five year reunions
and was able to visit with your mom and dad. God's best to you this new year and hope to see you at the cousin's trip. In Christ, Todd
and Tina*

Todd Nelson - January 02, 2014 at 07:25 PM

SF

“ Dear Doug_
My deepest sympathy in the loss of your Mother! This is such a true picture of her- always smiling! I remember all the times we all use to get together when we were growing up and all the times they came down here and visited with my folks. I have many fond memories of her and your Dad. And was shocked to see this in the Alex paper. I would have sent a card off to you but do not know your address. They were such wonderful people!! Oh heaven was surely a glow when she and your Dad met again! Take care and God bless my friend!!



My Sympathy
Sharon (Johnson)

Sharon (Johnson) Fearing - December 31, 2013 at 11:17 AM

VN

“ Barb & Vern Nelson December 26, 5:11 PM



Vern & Barb Nelson - December 26, 2013 at 07:15 PM

LB

“ Lynette Bridges purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Beatrice M. Nelson.



Lynette Bridges - December 24, 2013 at 10:42 AM

JP

“ *Joe & Maggie Plante lit a candle in memory of Beatrice M. Nelson*



Joe & Maggie Plante - December 23, 2013 at 08:15 AM