

Vera Schmidt Zens, 93, of Miller, passed away Sunday, March 8, 2015 at the Good Samaritan Society in Miller.

Vera Hope was born July 29, 1921, to William and Minnie (Lorenz) Mowry at Rockham, South Dakota. Vera graduated from Rockham High School and went on to do clerical work in Potter County. In 1941, she married Freddie Albert Schmidt. Her highest priority was her family. She farmed with Freddie in northern Hand County and was a very supportive "farm wife". They retired and moved to Miller in 1974 where they enjoyed fishing, gardening, playing bridge, and visiting with friends until Freddie's death in February of 1988. In 1992, she married Norbert Zens. They enjoyed many years of being snow birds in the winter, gardening, and fishing in the summer until Norbert's death in February 2010.

Most grateful to have shared in her life are her three children: Sharla (Scott) Worthen of Boise, ID, Mavis (Larry) Johnson of Huron, and Daryl (Sandra) Schmidt of Rockham; step-son, Roger (JoAnn) Zens and family of Miller; grandchildren: Michael Johnson of Boise, ID, Terri (Tyler) Woodland of Boise, ID, Mark Johnson of Boise, ID, Leslie (Jon) Dehne of Shakopee, MN, David Johnson of Huron, Jay (Vicki) Stenslie of Maple Grove, MN, Tamara (Mark) Morehouse of Parkston, Toni Schmidt of Mitchell, Trinity (Darin) Hunter of Miller, and Billie Schmidt of Wessington; 25 great grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; sister, Ruth Neu; sisters-in-law, Arlene Mowry and Argie Joyce Buss; and brothers-in-law, Milton Schmidt and Don Bottom.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands, Freddie Schmidt and Norbert Zens; brother, Ruben Mowry; sister, Blanche Neu; and many in-laws.



Arrangements Entrusted To

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FUNERAL HOME

Miller, South Dakota
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FUNERAL SERVICE:

10:00 a.m., Friday, March 13, 2015
Trinity Lutheran Church
Miller, South Dakota

MINISTER: Pastor Max Miller

CASKETBEARERS: *Grandchildren*

Michael Johnson – Terri Woodland – Mark Johnson
Leslie Dehne – David Johnson – Jay Stenslie
Tamara Morehouse – Toni Schmidt
Trinity Hunter – Billie Schmidt

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS:

All Vera's Family and Friends

PIANIST: Kristi Prince

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS:

"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"
"How Great Thou Art"
"On Eagle's Wings"

INTERMENT:

G.A.R. Cemetery
Miller, South Dakota

WHEN I MUST LEAVE YOU

When I must leave you for a little while,
Please go on bravely with a gallant smile
And for my sake and in my name,
Live on and do all things the same—
Spend not your life in empty days,
But fill each waking hour in useful ways—
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer,
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near.

Helen Steiner Rice

