# In Loving Memory of Irene Grace Hixson

August 1, 1913 - December 28, 2006

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#### **Funeral Service**

Saturday, December 30, 2006 – 10:30 AM Grace Lutheran Church Luverne, Minnesota

#### **Officiant**

Reverend Maurice E. Hagen

### **Scripture Readings**

Psalm 27:1-5

I Corinthians 15:12-26 John 11:38-44

#### Music

Organist – Mary Beth Binford Soloist – Joel Nevin, "O, How Shall I Receive Thee" "The Lord's Prayer"

#### **Congregational Hymns**

"How Great Thou Art" – Hymn 532

"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" – Hymn 448

"When Peace Like a River" – Hymn 346

"Beautiful Savior" – Hymn 518

#### **Casket Bearers**

Mark St. Aubin Greg Koopman Bert Brewers Kyle St. Aubin Troy Barber Luke Brewers

#### Interment

Rose Hill Cemetery
Tuesday, January 2, 2007 – 1:30 PM
Shenandoah, Iowa



## Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'T is grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun!

- John Newton, John P. Ress

Following the funeral service, friends are invited to join the family for food and sharing in the fellowship hall of the church.

#### Irene Grace Hixson...

was born on August 1, 1913 to Jeremiah and Grace (Tyner) Cozad on the family farm in Page County, Iowa, where she was raised. In 1931 she graduated from Shenandoah High School. On August 4, 1933 Irene was united in marriage to Cyrus Hixson in Sibley, Iowa. The couple lived in Hills, Minnesota where Irene was a homemaker to her husband and son, Harold. During their time living in Hills, Irene served as treasurer for Bethlehem Lutheran Church, the American Lutheran Church Women, and the American Legion Auxiliary for many years. Cyrus preceded her in death on December 31, 1973. Irene moved to Luverne, Minnesota in November of 1983. She later moved in September of 2005 to an apartment at the Poplar Creek Estates. In September of 2006 she moved to the Mary Jane Brown Good Samaritan Home, where on December 28,

Irene was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne. She was a former member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Hills, Minnesota. She was a member of ALCW and later the GLCW in Luverne, the Hills American Legion Auxiliary, Luverne Order of Eastern Star, the Luverne Pink Ladies, and the Luverne Senior Citizens, serving for a term as president. She also participated in RSVP and served on the SW Minnesota Opportunity Council Board.

2006 Irene died at the age of 93, seven months, and 15 days.

She is lovingly remembered by her son, Harold and his wife Dorothy Hixson of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; four granddaughters, Kristi and her husband Mark St. Aubin of Omaha, Nebraska, Kellie and her husband Mark "Bert" Brewers of Marshall, Minnesota, Kimberly and her husband Troy Barber of Garretson, South Dakota, and Karol and her husband Greg Koopman of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; ten great-grandchildren, Kayla, Kyle, Kody, and Kolyn St. Aubin, Lindsey and Luke Brewers, Blake and Mason Barber, and Taylor and Alex Koopman. She was preceded in death by her husband, Cyrus; her parents; a great-granddaughter, Jennifer St. Aubin; a great-grandson, Brock Barber; three sisters; and four brothers.

A tree will be dedicated in memory of Irene by Hospice of Sioux Valley Luverne Hospital. Blessed be her memory!

Memorials are preferred to Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne, Minnesota, Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Hills, Minnesota and Grace Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.



