



Eleanor Jeanette Braseth

December 7, 1907 - April 11, 2010

Eleanor Jeanette Braseth, age 102, passed away Sunday, April 11, 2010 at the Mahnomen Health Center Nursing Home under the care of Hospice of the Red River Valley.

Eleanor was born December 7, 1907, to Bernard and Clara (Fuglie) Wang. She attended Ulen Public School and Moorhead State Teachers College in Moorhead, Minnesota. Upon receiving her teaching certificate, Eleanor taught rural school in Clay County.

On November 4, 1928, Eleanor was united in marriage to Lewis Braseth at the church parsonage in Ulen. The couple lived in Moorhead and Twin Valley before moving to Mahnomen in 1934, where they raised their family. Eleanor worked in the Mahnomen Public School cafeteria a number of years and also did babysitting and custom baking. Lewis died on November 19, 1971 and Eleanor continued to live in their house until 1998, when she moved into the Welle Apartments in Mahnomen. She has resided at the Mahnomen Health Center since 2004.

Her hobbies included knitting, making Raggedy Ann/Andy dolls, and playing Scrabble. Eleanor was a member of First Lutheran Church in Mahnomen, where she taught Sunday school, weekday school and was active in their organizations. She was also a member of various clubs. Eleanor was a humble, hard-working, thrifty lady. She was a very likeable person with a great sense of humor.

Survivors include three daughters: Elizabeth Polack, Modesto, CA, Barbara

(Harvey) Johnson, Forest City, IA, Patricia (Roger) Bramel, Wahpeton, ND; one son, David (Dorothy) Braseth, Lino Lakes, MN; 12 Grandchildren: Stewart Polack, Karen Polack (Scott Witter), Curtis (Jennifer) Polack, Mark (Caroline) Polack, Julie Johnson (Felix Tweraser), Jennifer Johnson, Eric (Kristin) Johnson, Elizabeth (Jeff) Leintz, Paul (Ann) Bramel, Sam Braseth, Alisen Braseth and Regan Braseth; 11 great-grandchildren: Chelsea Polack, Henry Polack, Lauren Witter, Ben Polack, Jake Polack, Abby Polack, Isabel Tweraser, Katie Johnson, Elsie Johnson, Claire Bramel, and Aidan Bramel and two great-great grandchildren, Ella and Hayden Cole; one sister, Frances Hogenson, Moorhead, MN; one brother, Vernon Wang, also of Moorhead. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lewis; four sisters: Myrtle Hilde, Mildred Halvorson, Clarice Hilde and Ruth Nelson and two brothers, Ordell and Walter.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday, April 15, 2010 at First Lutheran Church in Mahnomen. There will be visitation one hour prior to the service on Thursday.

Burial will be in the Riverside Memorial Park Cemetery, Mahnomen, MN.

Tribute Wall

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“ We are saddened to hear of Eleanor's passing. She was a faithful friend to mom, Myrtle. We enjoyed visiting her at the Health Center. She always had such a beautiful peaceful smile! She made Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls for my girls. So special! Thank you David for your presence at Robert's funeral. Your family is in our prayers. Kristi and Glenn

Glenn and Kristi(Walswick) Ollila - April 17, 2010 at 01:14 PM

TB

“ I am sorry to hear of Eleanor's passing. I had a wonderful time getting to know her. She was a joy to see each day. I enjoyed our competitive games of scrabble. I know the MHC family will not be the same without her. I will keep your family in my prayers. Theresa Benbo

Theresa Benbo - April 13, 2010 at 07:34 PM

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“ I was deeply saddened to hear of your loss. My thoughts are with you. I will cherish the memories of the time I had with Eleanor. The grin on her face when she beat someone at Scrabble. The twinkle in her eye as she stood at the desk solving the latest word puzzle or reading the comics. She truly was one of kind. May you take comfort in knowing an angel is watching over you. My sympathy to the Braseth family. Becky

Becky Orr - April 12, 2010 at 06:54 PM

TA

“ *To the family of Eleanor Braseth. I was sadden to hear of her passing. I remember her when she worked at the school in the kitchen with Ellen Thompson, my grandmother. I would also visit with her at the nursing home when I would come to Mahnomen to see Grandma T. Those two have been friends for a long time. She is going to be missed, she was a wonderful lady.*

Terri (Klabunde) Anderson - April 12, 2010 at 05:32 PM