

NELSON, Marie W. (Fetzner)

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Howard, South Dakota
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Marie Nelson

Marie Nelson, 95, of Wakonda, died Friday, March 31, 2000 at the Heritage Nursing Home in Wakonda.

Marie W. Fetzner was born October 5, 1904 in Howard, SD to Chris and Augusta (Rodhopt) Fetzner. She graduated from the Viborg High School in 1922. She took two years of nurses training at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls, and on September 4, 1924 she married Ertel Nelson in Sioux Falls. They farmed in Turner County until 1938, when the family moved to a farm northwest of Wakonda. They farmed in Star Township until retiring in 1971, and continued to live on the farm.

In 1989, they celebrated 65 years of marriage; Ertel passed away in January of 1990. Marie had her 90th birthday in 1994 in her home, and moved to the Wakonda Heritage Manor the following week.

She enjoyed crocheting and knitting, and was an award winning ceramic painter until her hands failed her. While at the nursing home, she enjoyed reading, and watching sports.

Grateful to have shared her life is her daughter, Mrs. Orville (Mary Ann) Loen of Rapid City, SD; one son Douglas and wife Dorothy of Fargo, ND; a daughter-in-law Verna Nelson of Wakonda; 13 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, her husband, Ertel, and two sons: Ellwyn and Miles (Corky).

Funeral services were Monday, April 3, 2000 at First Lutheran Church in Wakonda. Burial was in the Union Cemetery in rural Wakonda.
