

March 19, 1910
Turner County
August 1, 2004
Irene

Erma Reisner

Erma Jensen Reisner, 94 years, of Irene, passed away Sunday, August 1, 2004 at Sunset Manor Nursing Home in Irene.

She was born March 9, 1910 in Turner County, SD. She was the youngest of nine children born to Jens P. and Ana Kristina (Nelsen-Westergaard) Jensen. She grew up on a farm in the Spring Valley Community, Turner County, SD. She was Baptized and Confirmed at the Spring Valley Church on August 22, 1934. She married Howard Reisner. To this union were born five children, Leo, Vernon, Marjorie (Mrs. Edwin Olson), Florence (Mrs. Richard Jensen) and Bonnie. During their early married life they worked on farms in the Viborg area. Erma was a cook at a local café in Viborg and

worked for the Hansen Produce and Viborg CO-OP Creamery where she candled eggs. Howard and Erma moved to Yankton in 1955. Erma worked at Yankton College, Gurney Seed & Nursery and as a cook at the Yankton Elks Lodge for 21 years. Howard passed away on January 23, 1987. Erma continued to live in their home until illness forced her to leave on June 8, 2004.

Erma loved to have her family around her, to listen to their troubles, their accomplishments and their joy, and to also give them advice. She loved to crochet and saw to it that every member of the family had one of her afghans, she also gave many away to friends. She enjoyed doing Word Find Puzzles until her eyesight failed her. She was a member of the Yankton VFW Auxiliary. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother, a great cook, especially her fried chicken and graham cracker pie. Her greatest achievement was her family and the love they have for

her. Her specialty was her Hug and Kiss and I love you with all my heart. She will be missed by all.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Howard; four brothers Roy, Lawrence, Nels and Willie; four sisters Marie (Mrs. Chris Andersen), Esther (Mrs. Carl Andersen), Linda (Mrs. Orris Mellegaard) and Sina (Mrs. Harry Christensen); and three of her children, Leo in 1980, Vernon in 1961, and Bonnie in 1987.

She is survived by two daughters and son-in-laws, Marjorie and Edwin Olson and Florence and Richard Jensen all of Irene, 18 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren, also one sister-in-law Betty (Mrs. Fred Reisner), and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services were Wednesday, August 4, 2004 at Calvary Lutheran Church. Burial followed in the Hillcrest Cemetery, Irene, SD.

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