Mae M. (Gilbertson) Sauby

December 27, 1911 – June 11, 1994



Mae Malvine Sauby, 82, of Sioux Falls, SD died Saturday, June 11, 1994, in Sioux Valley Hospital, now Sanford Hospital. Mae Malvine Gilbertson was born on December 27, 1911 on a farm in Roberts County, near Peever, SD. She was baptized Jan 18, 1912 and was confirmed on May 10, 1931.

Mae attended the South Dakota School for the Deaf in Sioux Falls, SD from 1928 to 1937. She was awarded the Certificate of Merit in June 1937. She was later employed by the South Dakota School for the Deaf. She married Donald Sauby on June 16, 1940. They farmed in South Dakota, west of Browns Valley, MN, until moving to Sioux Falls in 1943. She worked at the Hotel Cataract for many years. She left the hotel in 1950 to raise her sons. She began employment with Shipley's Laundry in 1960, retiring in 1976 .

Mae was a member of East Side Lutheran Church Ephphatha Chapel, the South Dakota Association of the Deaf, Style Club and the Senior Citizen Deaf Organization.

Grateful for having shared her life were her husband of almost 54 years, Donald; two sons, Ron Sauby of Sioux Falls, SD; Jerry Sauby and his wife, Christie of Sioux Falls, SD; a granddaughter, Ryan Rachelle; a grandson Skylar James; three sisters, Ida Davidson of Sisseton, SD, Gina Quigley and her husband Mike of Benson, MN, Myrtle Skogen and her husband Lester of Oroville, CA; and host of other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by a stillborn child; her parents; a brother, Henry Gilbertson; a sister, Esther Van Heel; and two brothers-in-law, Leonard Davidson and Dalton Israelson.

Services began at 10:30 am Thursday, June 16, 1994 in East Side Lutheran Church, with burial beginning at 3:30 pm in the Browns Valley Cemetery in Browns Valley, MN. Visitation began at 1 pm, Wednesday, June 15, 1994 in George Boom Funeral Home in Sioux Falls, SD with the family being present from 7 to 8 pm

Mae's family thanked you for your presences and support today, which would have been Donald and Mae's 54th Anniversary. You were invited to gather with the family for refreshments and fellowship at East Side Lutheran Church following the funeral service prior to leaving for Browns Valley, MN.