



Irene M. Wagner

January 15, 1920 - March 8, 2013

PIERCE -- Services for Irene M. Wagner, 93, of Pierce will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Zion Lutheran Church in Pierce with burial in Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery in Norfolk and the Rev. Gordon Bruce officiating. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Monday at Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk. She died Friday, March 8, 2013, at Pierce Manor. Irene Marie Wagner was born Jan. 15, 1920, to Henry and Louise (Hilkemann) Pieper on a farm north of Hoskins. The following year Henry and Louise moved their family to a farm on the Northfork River north of Hadar, where Irene lived until uniting in marriage with William D. Wagner of Pierce on April 17, 1940. They then settled on a farm in the hills west of Hadar where they stayed for 49 years until retiring to the city. Bill and Irene moved to Norfolk in 1989. Irene assisted with the farm duties, as so many other farm wives of their generation, including livestock chores, tending the chicken flock and canning fresh fruit and garden vegetables. Everyone who "neighbored" with Bill and Irene (as well as all of the relatives) distinctly remember the elaborate feasts that were home-cooked and home-baked by Irene for those that helped with corn shelling, hay stacking and especially for the holiday get-togethers. Irene resided at the Pierce Manor since 2009. She was preceded in death by her husband Bill on Dec. 8, 2002, brother-in-law Ervin Otto, great-nephew Michael Otto and her parents. She was baptized and confirmed at Peace Reformed Church, rural Hoskins. She attended school at Hadar. She is survived by sister Lydia Otto of Norfolk, brother Marvin (June) Pieper of Longmont, Colo., eight nieces and nephews, several great-

nieces and nephews and great-great-nieces and nephews. Music will be by organist Dottie Ahlers and soloist Dorthalie Walmsley with "Amazing Grace," "Lord Is My Shepherd" and congregational hymn "Beautiful Savior." Casket bearers will be Scott Allison, Craig Gehm, Ryan Otto, Miles Spreeman, Duane Timperley, Darral Voecks, Kory Willard.

Tribute Wall



“ *Irene M. Wagner*

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