



Dorothy Mae Boese

December 9, 1920 - October 1, 2023

Our mother and grandmother, Dorothy Mae Boese, went home to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Sunday, October 1, 2023 at the age of 102 at the Prairie Community Nursing Home in Terry, Montana. Private Family Burial will be held in the Bethlehem Mennonite Cemetery north of Bloomfield, Montana. A Memorial service will be held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at the Community Bible Church in Glendive, Montana with Pastor Darrell Nefzger officiating. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Dorothy was born on December 9, 1920, at her parent's Gerhardt and Ida (Buller) Boese homestead near Bloomfield. Dorothy was second to the youngest in a family of six siblings. In her elementary school years, Dorothy attended Muldoon School. She attended high school in Glendive and had a strong desire to become a school teacher. For college, with help from a Billings Women's Auxiliary donation, she attended the Eastern Montana Normal School in Billings, Montana. At age 19, she graduated with her school teaching degree.

Dorothy dated Lawrence Boese during her last year of Normal School. They were married on October 11, 1942, which was also her first year of teaching. Dorothy taught for two years at the Upper Pleasant Valley School and the following year taught at the Independent School.

In 1945, Lawrence and Dorothy moved to their own farm five miles from Bloomfield. During the following years, she had three children-Connie,

Maurita, and Cedric. Creating a home was a great joy to her.

Dorothy was a hard worker, doing all kinds of farm related work. Every summer Dorothy planted a large garden and from the produce stored in her pantry and freezer, cooked homemade meals for her family. She loved flowers, and always had plants and flowers in her home and yard. Sometimes she sewed matching dresses for her young daughters. In all of this she organized her work and cooking with "to do" lists and regularly kept a diary of farm life.

Dorothy stood firm in her faith of God. No matter how busy, she found time to read the Bible regularly, often very early in the morning. She prayed faithfully for her family every day. While in Bloomfield, Dorothy and her husband attended Bethlehem Mennonite Church. During their retirement years they became part of the Glendive Community Bible Church. Dorothy taught Sunday School, helped with church activities, and sometimes composed "readings" for special church occasions, at the farm and also in Glendive.

Dorothy was often encouraged by the Glendive KGLE Christian Radio Station. Lawrence and Dorothy lived on the farm until they moved to Glendive for their retirement years. Dorothy enjoyed her home in Glendive, her children's and grandchildren's visits, growing flowers and making quilts. She blessed many young families with beautiful baby quilts.

After her husband's death in 1996, Dorothy lived alone. She enjoyed keeping a beautiful terraced yard, and mowed it by herself until she was 88 years old. During the summer months, she opened her home for two grandsons, providing lodging and hearty meals for them and homemade breakfasts by 5 AM before they took off for their jobs at the golf course. She faithfully wrote detailed letters to those who lived far away, as well as many relatives and friends. At age 88, Dorothy moved to the Grandview Apartments. She kept her mind active by playing her small organ, putting together puzzles, writing to people and reading her bible. She made good use of her time.

At age 95, Dorothy moved to Terry and spent her remaining years at the Prairie Community Nursing Home. We are grateful for the loving and watchful

care mom received from the staff at both Grandview and the nursing home in Terry. We are also grateful for loved ones who visited and cared for her during her aging years.

Mother, we honor you and love you. Thank you for your example lived before us, your self-sacrifice, and for making God your first priority in life. We long to join you some day!

Dorothy is survived by her three children, four grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Connie Bogar and children, Jonathan (Erika) Clark, (Andy) Elizabeth Wickham and Judith, David and Irene; Maurita Boese; and Cedric (Peggy) Boese and children, Kirk (Julia) and Brady (Mariah) Boese, Logan and Naomi.

Memorials in Dorothy's name are suggested to the Eastern Montana Bible Camp, 1862 Road 523, Bloomfield, Montana 59315.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Mennonite Cemetery

Bloomfield, MT

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **10**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (MT)

Community Bible Church
605 E Clement
Glendive, MT 59330
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info@cbcglendive.org
<https://www.cbcglendive.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ 60 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Silha Funeral Home - October 10, 2023 at 11:43 AM



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James Meyer - October 07, 2023 at 06:16 PM

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“ 4 files added to the album *Jim Meyer Tribute Album for Dorothy Boese*



Jim Meyer - October 07, 2023 at 06:05 PM

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“ Rick Karen Berg lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Boese



Rick and Karen Berg - October 07, 2023 at 11:28 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dorothy Mae Boese.

October 06, 2023 at 02:03 PM



“ Heavenly Light was purchased for the family of Dorothy Mae Boese.



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“ 1 file added to the album Clark tribute album for Dorothy Boese



Jonathan Clark - October 05, 2023 at 01:07 PM



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Jonathan Clark - October 05, 2023 at 01:05 PM



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Peggy Boese - October 05, 2023 at 12:44 PM



upside down but you get the message...she LOVED chocolate!!

Peggy Boese - October 06, 2023 at 11:37 AM



“ Andeen Raymond lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Boese



Andeen Raymond - October 04, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ *Heaven welcomed a gem when Dorothy got there! We sure loved her at the Community Bible Church and loved the time she and Lawernce came to see us in Colorado! Gary and Virginia Johnston*

Virginia Johnston - October 02, 2023 at 07:04 PM