Pauline Thompson

June 1, 1911 - June 26, 2004

Pauline “Polly” Burhans Thompson, age 93, formerly of Beach, North Dakota, died on Tuesday, June 22, 2004 at the Good Samaritan Home in Mott, North Dakota. Pauline “Polly” Thompson was born in Dickinson, North Dakota on June 1, 1911 the daughter of William and Daisy (Small) Burhans. When Polly was two years old she moved to Sentinel Butte, North Dakota, where she spent her childhood years. Polly graduated as Valedictorian from Sentinel Butte High School. Starting with the second semester of her senior year in high school, Polly taught at a country school for one and one half years prior to attending the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks. In college, Polly was an active member of the Pi Phi sorority. She graduated from Valley City College with a teaching degree. Following graduation from college, Polly taught junior high school in Columbia Falls, Montana for one semester. On January 10, 1937 Polly was married to Randal Thompson at her home in Sentinel Butte, North Dakota. Polly and Randal resided in Beach, North Dakota where they raised three children. Over the years in Beach, Polly was very active at the First Lutheran Church with teaching Sunday School, Ladies Aid and Circle organizations. She was an active member of the PEO organization. Polly spent many hours as a seamstress and loved to bake and cook for family and the many “Thompson” events. She also worked in the Business office at the local hospital. Polly and Randal did lots of traveling over the years with friends and family. They spent 16 winters in Arizona enjoying the nice weather and lots of friends. For almost three years, Polly and Randal

have been residing in the good Samaritan Nursing Home in Mott, North Dakota. Polly was preceded in death by her parents; one sibling and one great grandchild. Polly is survived by her loving husband of 66 years, Randal of Mott, North Dakota; three children, Barbara Olien and her husband Byron of Mott, North Dakota, Bill Thompson and his wife Vickie of Cortez, Colorado and Vicki Renshaw and her husband Tom of Bloomington, Minnesota; six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren; one sister, Anne Doering and her husband Bill of Franklin, Nebraska; and many nephews and nieces.

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