

Hilda Helen Bender was born on September 19, 1931, to Rudolph and Hedwig (Ahrens) Kurl. Hilda lived northwest of Java on a farm until age 12 and then moved to Java with her family. She attended a country school and Java School, graduating in 1949. After high school, Hilda taught at a country school in Campbell County for one year.

On July 21, 1951, Hilda married LeRoy C. Bender at St. Paul Lutheran Parsonage in Java, SD. Hilda and LeRoy moved to Spokane, Washington where LeRoy was in the Air Force at Fairchild Air Force Base. In 1954, Hilda and LeRoy moved back to Java.

Hilda loved genealogy and traveled to many locations to gather information on relatives. Hilda was a homemaker, did gardening and took care of her flowers.

Hilda is survived by her son, Jon (Patsy) Bender of Mobridge, SD, two grandchildren, Mellissa, Lisa, five great-grandchildren, Rebekah, Alexandria, Teagon, Tyleigh, and Kanomai.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and husband, LeRoy.

In Loving Memory of:



Hilda Helen Bender

September 19, 1931 ~ March 9, 2022

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Hilda Helen Bender

90 Years ~ 5 Months ~ 20 Days

BORN:

September 19, 1931

Rural Java, South Dakota

PASSED AWAY:

March 9, 2022

Selby, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICES:

10:30 AM, Thursday, March 17, 2022

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Java, South Dakota

CLERGY:

Pastor Mary Lou Greubele

ORGANIST:

Carol Fiedler

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS:

“How Great Thou Art” ~ “Amazing Grace”

CASKETBEARERS:

Craig Rau ~ James Austin

Clyde Frank ~ Tom Schnaible

Dan Naasz ~ Dwight Helm

HONORARY BEARERS:

All Hilda’s Family & Friends

INTERMENT:

St. Paul Lutheran Church Cemetery

Java, South Dakota

Arrangements Entrusted to Kesling Funeral Home, Mobridge, South Dakota



The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven;

Hallowed be Thy name;

Thy kingdom come;

Thy will be done on earth,

as it is in heaven;

Give us this day our daily bread;

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who

trespass against us;

And lead us not into temptation;

But deliver us from evil;

For Thine is the kingdom,

And the power, and the glory,

For ever and ever. Amen

