## Dorthea E. Melroe

(August 12, 1926 – June 22, 2016)

Dorthea Elaine Melroe, 89, died in Palm Desert, CA, June 22, 2016. Dorthea was born on August 12, 1926 to Albert and Nettie Cole of Cogswell, North Dakota.

Dorthea married Roger T. Melroe in Gwinner, North Dakota December 28,1952.

They lived in Gwinner until 1971, then moved to Laguna Niguel, California. Dorthea continued to reside in California until her death.

Dorthea was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Roger; brother, Wayne Cole; and sister, Vivian Stocking.

She is survived by son, Del Melroe (Barbara) Rapid city, SD; daughter, Vickie Melroe Fort Collins. CO; son, Robert Melroe Cathedral City, California; grandchildren, Justin Odegard (David), Minneapolis. MN, Stacy Wagner, Vergas MN, Shanna Hammer (Nate) Fort Collins, CO; 5 great-grandchildren and 1 great- great-grandchild.

A celebration of life will be held at GA Lutheran Church in Gwinner, ND on August 6th. In lieu of flowers or cards, please consider a donation to your favorite charity.

The family is grateful for your presence at this service and for your comforting expressions of love and kindness.

Lunch will follow the service.