



## Alvera Edna Cone

November 15, 1931 - December 30, 2023

Alvera Edna Cone, 92, of Grand Island died Saturday, December 30, 2023, at CHI-Health St. Francis Medical Center as a result of pneumonia.

Cremation was chosen, and a private family service is planned for a later date. Memorial in her name is suggested to the Alzheimer's Association.

Alvera was born in Alda on November 15, 1931, to Rudolph E. and Edna M.A. (Schroeder) Wagner. She was educated in Grand Island and graduated from Grand Island Senior High in 1949.

She married Arthur (A.D.) Cone Jr., on May 6, 1951, in Grand Island. They lived in Grand Island where Alvera worked at a bookkeeper until the birth of her children, Doug, Gale, and Rick. When her children were in school, she sold Avon and worked at the mall in the Peanut Shack. Then she became a proud grandmother and babysat Holly and Tyler for two years. These were such wonderful bonding years with Grandma and Grandpa Cone. In 1998, Alvera lost her husband A.D. after 46 years of marriage. She later became a grandma for Brexton and McKenna.

She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Grand Island, she had a great love of reading, BINGO, painting, baking and playing Pitch with family. There was always cake, brownies, pie, or cookies in the freezer in case company came. The family has fond memories of combined holidays, birthdays, and the Fourth of July parties with her sister Delores's family. Alvera was a devoted caregiver for her mother, Edna for over 30 years.

Survivors include children, Douglas (Deb) Cone of Grand Island, Gale (Greg)

Hopkins of Lincoln, and Rick (Molly) Cone of Greeley, CO; grandchildren, Holly (Mark) Antonson and Tyler Hopkins both of Lincoln, Brexton Cone of Sidney and McKenna Cone of Greeley, CO; great- grandchild, Rowan Antonson of Lincoln. She is also survived by a sister-in-law, Jeannette Wagner of Texas and many loved nieces and nephews.

Alvera was preceded in death by husband, A.D.; parents; sister and brother-in-law, Delores and Clifford Edwards; brother, Jerry L. Wagner; sister-in-law, Marie Williams, and brother-in-law, Arvine Cone.