



Cleo E. Cantlon

Cleo E. Loveland Cantlon, 77, of Minot, formerly of Balfour, died Wednesday, December 23, 2015 in her home.

Cleo Ellen Loveland was born to George and Caroline (Borgen) Loveland in Baudette, MN, September 2, 1938. The family moved to North Dakota and lived north of Minot, and later in Minot. She graduated from Minot Model High School in 1955 and from Minot State Teachers College in 1959. She taught at Ross High School from 1959-1960.

Cleo married Edwin Cantlon June 1, 1960. They lived in Minot, where she was a reporter for the Minot Daily News. Later, they began farming in Balfour. During that time Cleo was a candidate for the North Dakota House of Representatives and taught at Balfour High School for three years. In 1999 Cleo and Ed returned to Minot.

Cleo worked for the Minot paper as a reporter, editor and columnist from 1957 until the time of her death. She also wrote and produced plays, poetry, and history books for Verendrye Electric Cooperative and several area towns.

Cleo enjoyed theater, reading, fishing and travel, particularly trips to Norway in 1986 and 1999. She was active in the Balfour Lutheran Church and Christ Lutheran Church of Minot. She especially enjoyed her work as a publicist for the North Dakota State Fair.

Surviving family includes:

Husband of 55 years, Ed Cantlon, Minot; brother, James Loveland, RI, mother-in-law, Romona Weninger, Arcola, Sask.; sisters and brothers-in-law, Gary Wittliff, Minot, Lyle (JoAnn) Sanders, Minot, Ruth (John) Dunicliff, Fargo, Lois (Art) Nordstrom, Hastings, MN, Tina (David) Weinrauch, Lampman, Sask., Betty Degenstein, Everett, WA, Michael Cantlon, Jamestown; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Cleo was preceded in death by her parents; and her sisters, Laurie Loveland, Carol Sanders, Edna Fredrickson, Peggy Wittliff and Marge Landry.

Funeral Service: Tuesday, December 29, 2015, 10:30 am at Christ Lutheran Church, Minot

Graveside Service: Tuesday at 2:30 pm Balfour Cemetery, Balfour, ND

In Lieu of flowers, memorials may be given in Cleo's honor to:

Feed My Starving Children, God's Child Project, Metigoshe Ministries, Christ Lutheran of Minot Flood Relief or the organization of the donor's choice.

Thompson-Larson Funeral Home, Minot is entrusted with arrangements. Those wishing to sign the online register and share memories may access the online obituaries section at (www.thompsonlarson.com).

