

**Florence** was born on July 18, 1927, to Joseph and Marian (Faller) Schmidt, in Dickinson, ND. She attended rural elementary school in Billings County, ND. She received her high school education through the Division of Supervised Study of Fargo, ND. In 1944 and 1945 she attended Dickinson State College. She taught in the Spring Creek and Saddle Butte School districts of Billings County, ND for several years. On June 16, 1947, she married Jack Obrigewitsch in St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Dickinson, ND. They lived with Jack's parents for the summer and then took over the homestead when his parents retired in the fall. They remained on the farm/ranch until retiring to Belfield, ND in the fall of 1982. In the fall of 2016, she moved to the assisted living at Benedict Court where she resided for the remainder of her life. Florence's hobbies included sewing, crocheting, reading, and gardening. Family was especially important to Florence. She found great pleasure in caring for her three children, her grandchildren, and later in life, her great-grandchildren. Florence loved being surrounded by them all at family gatherings and celebrations, and each grandchild received birthday cards and Christmas cards personalized with her perfect penmanship. Being a member of St. Bernard's Catholic Church, Florence focused on volunteering much of her time with the church. She volunteered her time as a Eucharistic Minister, reader, commentator, member of the choir, and as sacristan. She spent over 30 years volunteering for the food pantry, and was a member of the Billings County Historical Society. Florence was also a member of St. Regina's Guild, the Confraternity of Christian Mothers, and Cursillo, where she formed many lifelong friendships. She was a woman of strong faith, who prayed the rosary daily for her family and friends. In her later years, it was her prayers and crocheting that kept her happy. Every family member and visitor would always leave with her crocheted potholders and towels. She loved to watch NFL football games, especially the Broncos and Superbowl Sundays with family. Florence will always be remembered for all of her work with the church and especially her crocheted potholders and dishtowels. Florence is survived by one brother, Richard

Schmidt (Dickinson), sisters Evelyn (Ed) Kinzel (Billings, MT) and Margaret (Donovan) Schumacher (Bismarck), and sisters-in-law Josephine Schmidt (Belfield) and Georgia Schmidt (WY). Florence is also survived by her three children, Les (Sheryl) in Moorhead, MN; Geoff (Deb) in Belfield; and Jackee in Dillon, CO. Florence also has five grandchildren: Mia Bolte, Chad (Debbie) Bolte, Preston (Julie) Obrigewitsch, Quentin (Amy) Obrigewitsch, and Sabrina (Randy) Zeller. The family also includes nine great-grandchildren: Luke, Kate, Ethan, Ella, Noah, Farrah, Addisyn, Charlie, and Rachel. Florence was preceded in death by her husband, Jack, her parents Joseph and Marian Schmidt, her brothers Ludwig, Fred, and Arnold Schmidt, and her sister Delores Baseflug. In Lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Benedict Court 830 2nd Ave E, Dickinson, ND 58601, St. Bernard's Catholic Church 402 3rd Ave NE, Belfield, ND 58622, or a charity of your choice.

# Florence Obrigewitsch

July 18, 1927 - June 2, 2020

## *My Forever Friend*

*I know it must be different now  
that I am no longer here.  
I can see how much I was loved  
and how all of you did care.  
It will be hard at first  
when you look around for me,  
lying on my bed or outside  
beneath my favorite tree.  
But someday what you will begin to  
see,  
although it'll take some time,  
is that you brought happiness to me  
and forever it will be mine.  
Remember it's the family I had  
that meant the most to me  
So please don't be sad,  
it was just my time to leave.*





## *Beatitudes for Mothers*

*Blessed are Mothers - who did without for us,*

*They will be rewarded.*

*Blessed are Mothers -*

*who lost sleep when we were sick,*

*They will find rest.*

*Blessed are Mothers -*

*who taught us how to pray,*

*They will share God's kingdom.*

*Blessed are Mothers - who comforted us,*

*They will be comforted.*

*Blessed are Mothers -*

*who taught us right from wrong,*

*They will know justice.*

*Blessed are Mothers -*

*who showed us the Christian life by example,*

*They will live forever.*

*Blessed are Mothers -*

*who shared with us the meaning of peace,*

*They shall know peace.*

*Blessed are mothers -*

*who taught us the importance of loving*

*God and each other, They shall see God.*



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### **FUNERAL MASS:**

Friday, June 5, 2020 10:00 am  
St. Bernard's Catholic Church  
Belfield, North Dakota

### **ROSARY & VIGIL SERVICE:**

Thursday, June 4, 2020 6:00 pm  
Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota

### **CELEBRATING:**

Monsignor Patrick Schumacher

### **MUSIC:**

Robbie Obach  
Elaine Johnson

### **READER:**

Don Schumacher

### **SERVERS:**

Ethan & Luke Obrigewitsch

### **PALLBEARERS:**

Preston Obrigewitsch	Quentin Obrigewitsch
Chad Bolte	Randy Zeller
Del Streitz	Dave Wanner

### **INTERMENT:**

St. Bernard's Catholic Cemetery  
Belfield, North Dakota

### **ARRANGEMENTS BY:**

Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota