

Dorothy Harriet (Stomberg) Clairmont, 79, of Laporte, died Thursday, June 23, 2011, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Park Rapids, of cancer.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, July 1, at Malvik Lutheran Church in rural Bemidji, with the Rev. Mary Marotte officiating. Visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, June 30, at the Olson-Schwartz Funeral Home in Bemidji, with a prayer service at 7 p.m., and one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in the Malvik Lutheran Church Cemetery. Arrangements are with Olson-Schwartz Funeral Home of Bemidji.

Pallbearers will be Abby Porter, Shawn Clairmont-Bergen, Andrea Lundberg, Aric Porter, Sherry Rust, Brent Clairmont and Stephanie Clairmont.

Honorary pallbearers will be Dan Rust Jr., Dakota Ferdig, Tom Clairmont, Guy Clairmont, Mellissa Cropp, Ash Boos, Nyla Nyberg, Fern Lowe, Joan Huesby, Ann Krieger, Joyce Gladen, Audrey Combs and all her other friends.

She was born October 27, 1931, to Andrew and Harriet (Clemensen) Stomberg, in Quiring, Minn. She was baptized and confirmed at Capernum Lutheran Church of Quiring, Minn. She attended Quiring grade school and graduated from Kelliher High School in 1949, where she was covaledictorian. She graduated from French's Business College in Bemidji and worked as a secretary for Baumgartner Insurance Company. She married Terrance Clairmont on March 20, 1952, at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Cass Lake. They lived in Cass Lake and Bemidji until 1953, when they moved to Kelliher, where they raised their four children. She worked as church secretary, postal clerk, school secretary and was active in community events as 4-H leader, garden club member, and judge for flower shows. She wrote a book on flower arranging and judging. In 1969, she moved to Northome with her family and did accounting for the family business. In 1977, they semi-retired and moved to Guthrie. She was Guthrie town clerk for over 15 years. She was a member of Malvik Lutheran Church, the VFW and the Legion Auxiliaries. She enjoyed gardening, playing cards, painting and traveling.

She is survived by her husband; children, Jeanie (Tim) Porter of Guthrie, Minn., William (Denise) Clairmont of Duluth, Minn., Alan (Renee) Clairmont of Esko, Minn., and Joan Rust of Guthrie, Minn.; 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister, Emily (Bill) Schueller; brother, Loren (Helen) Stomberg; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Marvin Stomberg; sister, Arlene Henjum; and son-in-law, Dan Rust, Sr.

For the online guestbook, visit www.olsonschwartzfuneralhome.com.