



Genevieve Rose Gaukel Udell, 87, of Burwell, Nebraska went to be with her Savior on Wednesday, June 27, 2018.

Genevieve was born on February 10, 1931 to William and Rosetta (Lakin) Gaukel in Burwell, Nebraska. She was one of five children, two older sisters---Dorothy and Doris, and younger brothers Harry and Bill.

Genevieve grew up on the family farm west of Burwell where she walked to the nearby rural school and then later walked into town to attend high school. She graduated from Burwell High School in 1948, and then taught in rural schools, including the one she had attended as a girl.

On April 19, 1953, Genevieve married Jack Wilfred Udell at First Christian Church in Burwell. They lived in Milford for a short time while Jack finished refrigeration school and during this time they were blessed with their daughter, Karan Rosetta. Two years later another blessing came as a son, Jack William.

Genevieve enjoyed raising their two bundles of joy and spent her time at home sewing, canning, cooking, and being a godly wife and mother. The house was always busy with either neighborhood kids running in and out, or cousins begging for sleepovers. As Karan and Jack grew older, Genevieve sold Vanda-Beauty Counselor makeup, Tupperware, worked at the Western Store, Burwell Floral and was a receptionist for Dr. Alloway. She was also a member of the Legion Auxiliary. Genevieve also enjoyed playing in an evening bridge club and she and Jack enjoyed many Friday evenings playing cards with Don and Doris while the kids plotted how to spend weekends together.

Genevieve was an active member of First Christian Church, where she taught Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, was active in the Christian Ladies Circle, and often brought her yummy beef and noodles for potluck dinners.

Genevieve enjoyed crocheting and made many baby blankets and afghans for family and friends. She enjoyed baking, making chokecherry jelly and traveling with her family. In later years, going for a drive with Jack, would often end with a phone call saying "we are at so and so--we'll see you in a few days." She even left a suitcase in the car for such occasions.

Genevieve loved her family, she loved her husband, Jack, and missed him deeply. She loved her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She always had extra cookie dough on hand to bake and eat (or eat and bake) and when rhubarb season was at hand you could always expect a delicious rhubarb crisp to appear. She was notorious for baking seven different pies so each could have their favorite and a sliver would somehow always be missing from the pies and cakes she made. Orange salad and her cheesy potato casserole were always in demand when the family was together. She sat through countless hours of JTM studios watching her grandchildren lip-sync, always with a smile and a cup of coffee. The only thing better may have been Neil Diamond, the Oak Ridge Boys or reading historical fiction.

Genevieve is survived by two children and their spouses: Karan and Jeff Anderson of Burwell, Nebraska and Jack and Trish Udell of Carl Junction, Missouri; grandchildren--Tonya and Jared Carriker of Norfolk, Nebraska, Scott and Doris Anderson and Tashia and Steven Dees of Kearney, Nebraska, Taira Anderson of Norfolk, Nebraska, Joshua Udell of Crane, Missouri, Anna and Jeremy Nance of Tom Ball, Texas, Jacob and Caitlin Udell of Charlotte, North Carolina, Lydia Udell of Tempe, Arizona and Eden Udell of Carl Junction, Missouri and twelve great-grandchildren: Kadia, Rylan, Karina, Kinley, John, Titus, Jesse, Sonora, Isaiah, Joncey, Judah, and Roman. One sister, Dorothy Schneider of Burwell, Nebraska a brother, Bill Gaukel of Valley, Nebraska and a sister-in-law, Patsy Gaukel of Burwell, Nebraska. She is also survived by nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and many other family members and friends.

Genevieve was preceded in death by her parents, William and Rosetta Gaukel and Pearl (Blake) Gaukel, one granddaughter Miriam Rose Udell, her husband Jack Wilfred Udell, sister Doris Wilson and brother Harry Gaukel.

(Genevieve, you), "have fought the good fight, (you) have finished the race...now there is in store for (you) the crown of righteousness--- ..."well done, good and faithful servant...enter into the Joy of your Master." 2 Timothy 4:7, 8; Matthew 25:21

Funeral Services were held at First Christian Church 10:30 am on Monday, July 2, 2018 with JB Sikes officiating. Burial will be in Cottonwood Cemetery in Burwell. Visitation was on Sunday, July 1, from 5 to 7 pm at Hitchcock Funeral Home in Burwell. Memorials are suggested to First Christian Church.