



# Betty Ledder

**Hardin | Monday, March 5 2018**

Betty Jane Ledder, 92, passed away at 4:20 am Monday March 5, 2018 at Calhoun Nursing and Rehab.

She was born on April 26, 1925 in St. Louis, MO the daughter of Gottlieb (Gully) and Kathyrn (Kiern) Haug.

Betty married Christopher Earl Ledder on January 28, 1946 in Brussels.

She was a member of St. Norbert's Catholic Church in Hardin.



Betty was dedicated to teaching and education, living in her beloved Calhoun County all her life. Among her many accomplishments, she initiated the very first computer lab for the Hardin Grade School housing 8 huge IBM's utilizing public domain software on floppy disks, developed the first Chapter I program, spearheaded the first library in the High School and initiated the first kindergarten in Hardin. She worked tirelessly, overcoming many hurdles, to ensure our county had a swimming pool. Betty would not leave Calhoun County even after being courted by University of Nebraska, after reading one of her papers on education and teaching, to complete her doctoral dissertation in Lincoln. Betty was also a very proud member of the DAR.

She is survived by her two daughters, Barb Ledder and Judy (Ralph) Zipprich; two grandchildren, Scott (Kristin) Zipprich and Matthew (Jodie) Zipprich; three great grandchildren, Michael, Abreeana, and Cammden Zipprich; her sister-in-law, Theresa Haug, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Christopher Earl Ledder; two brothers, Oscar and Jim Haug; and her sister, Kay Dorrigan.

Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Thursday March 8, 2018 at Gress, Kallal, and Schaaf Funeral Home in Hardin.

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place Friday March 9, 2018 at St. Norbert's Catholic Church in Hardin at 10:00 a.m. with Father Don Roberts officiating.

Burial will follow at St. Norbert's Catholic Cemetery in Hardin.

Memorials may be made to Calhoun Unit 40 Library.

Online condolences and guest book may be found at [ww.eliaskallalandschaaf.com](http://ww.eliaskallalandschaaf.com)