



Mildred Schmidt

August 6, 1931 - March 3, 2008

Mildred I. Schmidt, age 76, of Verndale passed-away at Golden Living Center in Henning, Minnesota, on March 3, 2008. She was born to John X. and Catherine Dukart on August 6, 1931 in Dickinson, North Dakota. Mildred was united in marriage to Florian P. Schmidt on September 27, 1949 in Dickinson. As a homemaker and mother she moved from Dickinson in 1962 with her husband and six children to start farming south of Verndale. She was an active member of the America Legion Auxiliary in Verndale, the VFW Auxiliary in Aldrich, Christian Mother's and the Wadena Quilt Club. She enjoyed being a Pink Lady volunteer, quilting, gardening, crocheting and cooking. Mildred was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Florian; sons, Clarence "Clyde" (Rita) Schmidt of Hewitt, Keith (Pam) Schmidt of Sebeka, Virgil (Jodie) Schmidt, Perry Schmidt all of Verndale, and Harlan (Kate) Schmidt of Osseo; daughters, Geraldine (Steve) Cottrell of Frazee, Kathie (Terry) Davis of Ottertail, Marlene (Dale) Campbell of Verndale, and Pam (Jim) Rach of Brooten; 27 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren; brothers, Jerome Dukart of Minneapolis, Norman Dukart, and Herman Dukart, both of Dickinson, ND., Christ Dukart of South Heart, ND., and Paul Dukart of Fargo, ND. Honorary pallbearers were her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Active pallbearers were Brock Cottrell, Kevin Davis, Tyrone Schmidt, Ryan Finck, Andrew Schmidt, and Tyler Schmidt. The Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30AM on Saturday, March 8, 2008 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bertha with Father Dan Walz as celebrant.

Interment was at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Little Falls.

Tribute Wall

AC

“ *Florian and Family,
I am so sorry to hear about Mildred's passing. I just wanted you to know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers. I had a great time getting to know Mildred while I worked at the home. She was a very special lady and touched the hearts of many people including me. She will be greatly missed. Ali*

Alison (Guse) Christensen - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ *sorry we could not make it. Our prayers are will you.*

Greg, Rhonda & Courtney

Greg & Rhonda Schmidt - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *Just learned of the passing of Mildred. I always loved her friendly smile and conversation at gatherings we would attend. We all know she is in the best place ever! Sympathy to all of the family and an especially big hug to Jeri, Steve and family. Our love and prayers..Ted and Mary Ellen (Cottrell) Derby*

Mary Ellen Derby - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Dear Uncle Florian and family,
With Deepest Sympathy to each and everyone of you. This note brings to you our very deep and heartfelt sympathy. We are thinking of you all during this time of sorrow.
Aunt Mildred was a beautiful person to all who knew her. I will never forget our wedding day. She cried during our vows and I never forgot that moment. I remember asking her after the ceremony why the tears, she replied "I am so happy for you, Marcia".
I know you will all miss her, as all of us will too. It is time now for us to be happy for her as she may rest in peace and knit away with Grandma and maybe play a game of marbles with Grandpa. She lived a good life and as you all know was a super super special mom and wife. Oh yes, let us not forget the Grandchildren whom she loved so much too. Her love for you all was shown in many ways. If you have a quilt or blanket that she made with her hands keep it close to your heart.
Take care , we love you all and will pray that God's love and care will watch over you all. Love Ya
Marcia

Armand & Marcia Poirier & fam. - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Dear Schmidt families. I just finished viewing Mildred's tribute. It was so neat to have those memories come floating back into my mind! Only good things I think about Mildred. I know, by now, you have laid her to rest and the "celebration of her life" is over, but it really isn't is it! The good lady, the great wife and mother will live forever in the hearts of her friends, but mostly within the minds and hearts of her beloved family and husband, Florian. My life is full and rich of knowing people like Mildred and so many others. Thanks for sharing her with me just a "tidbit". May God continue to be with each one of you as you continue on the legacy of Mildred and Florian.
Bless You! diane hahn

Diane & Larry Hahn - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ Dear Florian and Family,

So sorry to hear about Mildred's passing. She was a great Sister-in-law (we had some good talks.) She loved her family and fed them well! As she was a good cook!

Anyone was always welcome at her house.

As you have probably heard, we are in Lake Havasu, Arizona and were here when we got the news of her passing. So sorry we couldn't be there. It would have been next to impossible to get there on time. Had we been in Montana, we would have been there for you.

She is at peace now in Heaven where she will be waiting for all of you and greeting you with her smile and lots of hugs.

Love and prayers to all of you--we're thinking of all of you.

George and Jenny Rice

George and Jenny Rice - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Thank you for the opportunity to get to know such a wonderful and special lady as your wife and mom. From the first time I met Mildred she touched my heart. I will miss our hugs every morning and our dances. She will always hold a special place in my heart as will your whole family. May God be with you always. Sheila

Sheila Hagen - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ Florian & family So sorry to hear Mildred was that ill .She is now in a better place.I was so hoping to come but had to change plans as of illness. Mildred was the most wonderful mother & great person .Well all miss her .Rose

Rose & John Anderson - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Florian and family, We have such good memories of our Saturday morning coffee times. It ws so much fun listening to dad, Florian and Mildred talk about the good ole days. And the meals Mildred would make at dinner time! Dad often bragged of her cooking and her great sense of humor. Our sympathy to your family.

Sam and ReNaye Seaton - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ To all of you I send my sympathy for the loss of your wife, mother & grandmother

Mary Ann Erckenbrack - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Mom, when I look at your picture on the video it comforts me to see a smile on your face and a peacefullness that I have not seen in a long time it will be hard to see you leave us but the peace of that is what comforts us after so much hard work to try and hang on. I love you so much and will be comforted that you will be watching over us once again in a perfect place. I will miss you but will be talking to you a lot (no big news huh!) I am comforted to know that you can now "enjoy". I love you mom.

Jeri Cottrell - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Mom, We will miss you sooooo much but are comforted that you are at peace now in heaven. You taught us well to be Christians, love and respect each other. Don't worry about dad. We'll take care of him for you. Now you can watch over us and guide us from above. I'll be talking to you frequently. I love you mom and will miss you, Kathie

Kathie Davis - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *To Florian and your family*

Maria and I offer our sincere condolences on the sad occasion of Mildred's exit from this world. Her greatest joy was being surrounded by her family. Ours was sharing her company when she was with us.

Let the pain of loss pass quickly in knowing that Mildred's journey home is now complete. Peace.

Matthew & Maria Schmidt - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *We wish to express our deepest sympathys to the family of Mildred. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. It is a wonderful video that was made for a tribute.*

Tom and Connie Doll - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ *I will miss you greatly, Grandma! I'm counting on you to be my gaurdian angel! I love you!*

Tia Peters - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ *Our deepest sympathy to your family.*

Todd & Mary Esala - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Dear Uncle Florian and Family,
Myron and I, along with our children wish to extend our deepest sympathy to you and yours. We will be attending the services and look forward to being with all of you and sharing in the celebration of her life. Her journey was a tough one and what a blessing to have everyone around her at the time of her passing. Your video tribute is beautiful. Our continued prayers are with each and every one of you at this difficult time. Be blessed.

Samantha Peterson - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ We wish to offer our condolences on the passing away of Mildred. Mildred was a fine lady, a good mother to her children and a good wife to Florian and for us a very enjoyable sister in law to be around. There always seemed to be a joyful atmosphere whenever we visited with you and her. We will remember her in our prayers and wish her restful peace in heaven now that the journey on earth is complete.

George & Liz Schmidt

George C. Schmidt - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Uncle Florian and Family, my deepest condolences on the passing of Aunt Mildred. She was a very special lady who touched the lives of everyone she knew. Her kind, gentle, caring spirit lives on in us all and she will never be forgotten. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Mark Schmidt - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ You are all in our thoughts and prayers. We pray that Mildred finds her peace.

Rob and Melissa Schmidt - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Uncle Florian and Family,
Our hearts go out to you and you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Aunt Mildred can now be in heaven with all the relatives, and watching over all of us, who will join her someday. Aunt Mildred was a very special lady, and will always hold a place in our hearts. God bless each of you in a special way.

Bernie & Char ficek - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ We are so sorry to hear news of your loss. May it bring you peace in knowing that this disease can do no more harm, and that she walks with God. You will be with her again one day and she will be her old self. She waits for you in heaven with all of those who have gone before us.

I'm sorry we won't be able to attend the services, but please know you are in our hearts and prayers in the days to come.

Kim and Cordell Bader - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ To the Schmidt family: Mildred was a wonderful wife and mother as evidenced by the husband and children left to mourn her passing. We have always appreciated the love of our Country shown by Florian - God bless America! It has been our pleasure to get to know Virgil (one of Mildred and Florian's son's), as he has worked with us on our crop farm for many years. We know the support of a good wife and mother were a large part of the greatness of Florian and Virgil. We look forward to visiting with Mildred when we get to heaven. May God grant you peace. Brian and Nancy Roth

Brian and Nancy Roth - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ You all have our condolences and prayer. She was a great Mom, Grandma, Wife and a beautiful person in our lives. We will remember her always.

Al and Patti Karsky - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ We are sad to hear of Aunt Mildred's passing, but she is on to a much better place.

I always thought she was such a beautiful lady and she seemed to be so patient with all those little ones running around!!!

We feel blessed to be able to have seen her at the family reunion. Thank you for bringing her.

We are thinking of all of you and God Bless you all. Deb and Ned

Ned and Debbie (Rice) Sikveland - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Dear Florian & family: We got the sad news of Mildreds passing and extend our condolences to you all, we also rejoice knowing that Mildreds suffering has ended and she in Heaven.

We wish we could be there, but it is not to be, so we will attend Mass here our church and pray for the repose of her soul.

We'll remember her as a great lady whose company we always enjoyed.

Love to all Ray & Marie

Ray & Marie Schmidt - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Mom,

I love you and miss you soooo much. I just can't seem to find the words that would describe how I feel. Thank you for being my Mom. Now I need you to be my angel. You can watch all your grandchildren and great grandchildren from heaven.....along with Grandma and Granpa! You can laugh when we laugh, cry when we cry, goof off when we goof off!!

Love Always, Your Daughter, Marlene

Marlene Campbell - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ Mom,
I sit here with tears in my eyes. Both of sadness and of joy. Even though the visits lately were not like the ones that filled our life time. At least I could still hold your hand and see that smile that the kids could always put on your face. Oh how you loved children. I'm sure you've found a little angel in heaven to take care of already :) I think of you a lot at work. Remembering the days in the kitchen with you. Weather it was at home or at the cafes we worked at together. You can rest in peace knowing there will still be plenty of cooking and baking going on. Not nearly as much as you used to do but with you in our thoughts as we do it. I am so thankful for the faith you and Dad gave us. I cannot imagine going through this without faith. To think you were just gone would be unimaginable. There is comfort in knowing you are in the perfect place we all dream of. We will see you there when it is our time. Give Grandma a kiss and hug Grandpa and pat his tummy for me :) Will still continue to miss you. Love you forever, love you for always, forever and always my mother you'll be. Pammie

Pam Rach - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Mom, I still miss you. Love Marlene

Marlene Campbell - March 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM