



## Mildred Uselman

July 26, 1913 - September 17, 2005

Mildred D. Uselman was born on July 26, 1913 in Leaf River Township to Benjamin Franklin and Wreathy (Vanderhoff) LaMay. She passed away on September 17, 2005 at the Tri-County Hospital in Wadena at the age of 92 years. Mildred lived her lifetime in the Wadena community. She was united in marriage with George James Uselman on July 26, 1940 in the parish house of St. John the Baptist Church in Bluffton. She was a teacher and homemaker and was active in her community as a charter member of the Garden Club as well as a member of the 4-H club, Church Circle, Eye to Eye and Christian Women. She enjoyed horticulture and spending time with her many friends. Mildred was preceded in death by her husband George on October 5, 1989; parents Benjamin and Wreathy; son Jerry on March 8, 2003; brothers Benjamin and Arthur LaMay and sister Mabel Skog. She is survived by her children James (Carrie) of Wadena and Jennifer (Randy) Rolando of Historic Springfield, Jacksonville, FL; grandchildren Emily, Daniel and Benjamin; and sister Pearl Oyster of Long Prairie. Funeral services were held on Thursday, September 22, 2005 at the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Wadena with Reverend Orville Sauter presiding. Honorary pallbearers were Tom Paper, Bill Breid and Warren Johnson. Pallbearers were Clarence Horsager, Richard Paper, Dean Uselman, Gene Wolter, Paul Eiswald and Todd Uselman. Interment was in the Calvary Cemetery in Wadena. [View this Videotribute](#)



# Tribute Wall

RE

“ *Thinking of you..and Praising the Lord that Mildred is with her Lord!!! R & B*

Richard and Bonnie Ealy - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Marvin & Jane Duncan - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Mildred and I have been friends since I was a senior in high school and worked as an Avon representative for DECA! Mildred was one of my loyal and true customers, and always ordered a lot from me. She lived in the house on Lincoln at that time. Then when I was in my 20's, I became acquainted again, when I joined GardenClub.*

*i will always remember Mildred for her sense of humor. In fact, just recently (maybe a year ago) GardenClub has a speaker come in and talk about growing*

*Orchids. Mildred came to the meeting, which was in the winter, with a carefully wrapped and protected, beautiful, perfect, Orchid. When the speaker was done, she went to inspect Mildred's orchid, only to find it was an imitation!*

Mim Maas - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *May the peace of God Bless and keep you always.*

Joann Hughes - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ 2Cor. 5:1-8 For we know that if the earthly tent which is our house is torn down, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For indeed in this house we groan, longing to be clothed with our dwelling from heaven; inasmuch as we, having put it on, shall not be found naked. For indeed while we are in this tent, we groan, being burdened, because we do not want to be unclothed, but to be clothed, in order that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. Now He who prepared us for this very purpose is God, who gave to us the Spirit as a pledge. Therefore, being always of good courage, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord ? for we walk by faith, not by sight ? we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord.

*She is at home with the LORD, and it is all His grace from start to end, from eternity past to eternity future.*

*All my love,*

*Stu*

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**Stu Klemm** - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *Where do I begin?*

*First, I want to extend my deepest sympathy to all of you. We have gone through a tremendous loss!*

*Mildred was such a special lady to me! She was always so loving and cheerful no matter what she was going through. I always thought it was so tragic that she lost her eyesight because she was always so observant and enjoyed the beauty around her. She had such a gusto for life! Our family didn't hug much, but Mildred did! Lotza great memories! I will miss her very much!*

*We know she is in a better place with the Lord...no pain...and she can see!*

*Praise the Lord! Perhaps she is sitting around a table in heaven visiting with Mom, Dad, Pa and Jerry. I am so thankful I took the time to drive to Wadena in September. I had no idea that it would be the last time I would be able to spend time with her. I know you will all miss her too. Please keep in touch.*

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**Jane Duncan** - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all. God bless.*

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**Judi Siirila** - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

RU

“ *When I think of Mildred I think of "Love" "Honesty" "Integrity" & "Compassion" She was one of those rare people that I feel privileged to have known. I will miss her.*

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**Rob Uselman** - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

FH

“ Jim, from the pictures, what strikes me most about your Mom is her eyes. Never having met her I am sure they were beautiful. Of course, I'm sure like all Moms, her eyes were all knowing and all seeing. Never missing anything you and your siblings did as kids. Sorry for your loss. Fred Haddox

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**Fred Haddox** - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Jim and Jennifer:  
I am sorry for your loss of your dear mother Mildred. Having only met her on two occasions in Los Angeles I sensed a very strong, confident woman who spoke her mind. Her longevity will give you loads of memories to celebrate her life, but best of all, know that she is with the Lord, whole and perfect.  
May God bless and be with you, your families and all Uselman's.  
RON

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**Ron Stevens** - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Mildred is a very good person who raised a very good family. She will be missed.

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**Dick Ames** - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ I remember Mildred as a peppy lady who always greeted me at the Congregational church as I was growing up in Wadena. She was interested in what the young people were doing. My mother so enjoyed her company. More recently Mildred learned of the death of a friend of mine. She didn't acknowledge her loss in the usual way...she said "when did your mother move into her mansion?" It took my friend a brief moment to realize she was referring to her heavenly home. That was Mildred's way of putting a positive light on a sad event. We have all suffered a loss, but she has gained a place in her own mansion.

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**Mary Ellen Kennedy Kollodge** - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ Hello dear friends,

*What a wonderful tribute to to your mom. She would have loved all of those memories being sent to so many old and new friends and acquaintances.*

*Love to all of you and God Bless you too.*

*Karen, Paul and Gene*

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**Karen & Paul Emmett** - September 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM