



Norma Bergstrom

September 27, 1927 - January 8, 2019

After a painful battle with cancer and surrounded by many loving friends and family members, Norma Bergstrom passed away on Tuesday, January 8, 2019, at Windmill Ponds in Alexandria.

The funeral service for Norma Bergstrom will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, January 12, at Faith Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend, with Pastor Allan Mortenson presiding. Visitation will begin at 9:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial funds may be designated to the Faith Lutheran WELCA women's quilting group or Hilltop Kitchen, 131 Park Ave NW, P.O. Box 172, Eagle Bend, MN 56446. (If flowers are sent, please refrain from selecting potted plants.)

Norma was born to loving parents Elvira (Peterson) and Eddie O. Sando on September 27, 1927 in Rosholt, South Dakota. On March 18, 1955, Norma married Carl Bergstrom. They spent their time farming near Eagle Bend, MN.

Norma kept busy following God and serving others, even as her strength began to fail. One of her last concerns, after making sure the cookies were out of the oven on time, was to make sure this thought be expressed to her loved ones: Norma was very thankful to God for granting her heart's desire for a big family. She had overwhelming gratitude to that family for times spent and

happy memories, and appreciated support and love from friends in Eagle Bend, at Windmill Ponds, from the Hospice care givers, and so many kind folks in the surrounding community.

Norma was preceded in death by parents; husband Carl (1901-1988); son James (1948-2001); daughter-in-law Patti Jo Leaf (1951-2006); Carl's children Donald (Bernice), Roger, Kenneth (Lois), and Jimmy; and siblings Gloria Medhaug, Wallace, and James.

Norma is survived by Betty (Bergstrom) Haskins (John), Nels Marvin (Janice) Bergstrom, daughters-in-law, Lucille and Dianne; grandchildren, Greg (Robin) Hadley and Shelly (Harold) Alexander; great-grandchildren, Keira and Derek (Abagale Schule) Alexander, great-great-grandchildren, Avery and Myles; sister Alois Rau from Kensington, Grandpa Chuck Leaf; along with many Bergstrom grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, beloved cousins, nieces and nephews.

Interment prayers will be said following the lunch, private burial to be held in Rosholt, SD.

Memories of Norma will comfort many hearts as she was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

Cemetery Details

Bethania Lutheran Cemetery - Rosholt, SD

Rosholt, SD

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 12. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church - Eagle Bend
300 Main St. W.
Eagle Bend, MN 56446

Service

JAN 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DJ

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Norma when I worked at Windmill Ponds. I worked there for 1 1/2 years. I enjoyed talking to her everyday. She always made time to greet me with a smile and a kind word. She will be missed dearly! Loving and healing thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Norma.

Debbie Johnson - January 15, 2019 at 05:52 PM

BH

“ It was so nice getting in touch with you. Seemed like a very sweet person. Norma was my mother Ardell's cousin. We shared some pictures. Very special. My prayers to her sister, Alois and her Family. So sorry for your loss. God Bless you all.

Bruce Henjum - January 14, 2019 at 02:47 PM

BL

“ My thoughts an prayers are with Norma's family and friends during this difficult time. May your precious memories bring you peace. Barb Notch Lillquist



Barb Notch Lillquist - January 12, 2019 at 02:27 AM

BH

“ Norma came to us as a housekeeper and my father was so happy with her! They soon fell in love, and married in March of 1955, and our home became a pleasant place again. My two younger siblings, Jimmy and Marvin, were still at home, and were accepted and loved by Norma. I cannot say enough kind words about her love and kindness to me and my children. She cared for all her grandchildren and many visited and stayed in her home. Norma loved the Lord and exhibited love, joy, peace and especially patience with all of us. We shared confidences, and problems with joys and tears, recipes, canning and gardening tips, and went through 64 years of life together. Although my Mother died a long time ago, Norma was like a Mother to me, as well as being a dear friend. I will miss her very much.

Betty (Bergstrom) Haskins, daughter of Carl Bergstrom

Betty Haskins - January 11, 2019 at 01:03 PM

SR

“ I had the GREAT joy of getting to know Norma at Windmill Ponds. Singing hymns and sharing scripture was enhanced by her presence. Norma always had such a precious kindness and gentleness about her. There was no doubt that she loved the Lord and her family. On one particular week, I arrived with a heavy heart. She asked me that day how she could pray for me. In weeks to follow, she shared with me that I was still on her prayer list. What a blessing to know that Norma cared enough to pray for me. She blessed my heart on many occasions. Norma gave me a copy of her picture where she is standing by her stove stirring gravy. I will always treasure that picture and the wonderful woman I was blessed to know. May God hold you all so close and comfort you as you mourn the earthly loss of a VERY dear woman, and carry on her legacy of love and kindness and sharing the love of Christ.

Sue Ronning

Sue Ronning - January 11, 2019 at 04:48 AM



“ *Grandma Norma - what a delight. As my friend's grandma she occasionally joined us for get togethers. She enthusiastically jumped into whatever activity we proposed. A memory that stands out is when a very silly song came on that had us all singing along and doing a silly dance to - she had no idea what it was all about, but she laughed and sang and hugged and danced until we had tears rolling down our cheeks. I'm smiling as I remember her. She was simply a precious, beautiful person. I'm so happy she is Home, but sad for those of us who no longer get to enjoy her company here on earth. Condolences to her family. ❤️*

Renee Gustafson - January 10, 2019 at 03:38 PM

CW

“ *Cal & Cindy W9lf lit a candle in memory of Norma Bergstrom*



Cal & Cindy W9lf - January 10, 2019 at 11:57 AM



“ *As the days of Norma's life drew to a close, I was so impacted by how she continued to serve and think of others, even when her strength was fading. Once she was confined to bed, in occasional bursts of mental energy she would think of things that needed to be done, like get to meetings, or make cookies. She even told the Pastor of her church when he was visiting that she was ready for her heavenly benefits, and ready for them now! On Tuesday the clouds were particularly beautiful, there was a spectacular display of sun rays and silver linings making me wonder if Tuesday would be the day. It was, and Norma is receiving her heavenly benefits now! She was a hero of faith I learned much from about finishing strong in this life! We loved her so much and always will. Have fun in heaven, Norma!!*

Kathy Stratton - January 10, 2019 at 11:13 AM



“ *Shirley Farrell lit a candle in memory of Norma Bergstrom*



Shirley Farrell - January 10, 2019 at 10:15 AM

CZ

“ Rest in our Lord's arms for your work here on earth is done. Norma was my mom's best friend and became my second mom especially after my mom died. We referred to our 65 years of friendship as adopted daughter and adopted mom. We laughed together, cried together and shared our problems and joys. I will cherish those early morning walks and our "breakfast" coffee chats always. Our daughters and grandchildren called Norma, Grandma Norma for she was a part of their lives.

I am sad that I won't be at her funeral as we are currently in Florida waiting to go to our next Mission Builder project. Norma was interested in our Mission Builder projects and encouraged us to do God's work. We saw Norma at Christmas and said our goodbyes. Love, prayers and hugs to the family.

Caryl Ziegenhagen - January 10, 2019 at 09:32 AM

DP

“ She taught me how to make lefse! ❤️ One of the dearest ladies I've ever known!! My condolences to the family!

Donna Pederson - January 09, 2019 at 10:07 PM



“ I treasure the memories from the years Norma and I worked side by side at the library and museum.in Eagle Bend. She always had a smile and hug for those in need of both.

Kay Lundgren - January 09, 2019 at 09:51 PM

JL

“ Grandma Norma was a beautiful person, kind, and thoughtful. She was a joy to visit with at the Hadley-Alexander celebrations. Love to you.



Jackie Lehmkuhl - January 09, 2019 at 09:30 PM

DW

“ Doris Winter lit a candle in memory of Norma Bergstrom



Doris Winter - January 09, 2019 at 09:28 PM

JE

“ Norma was a dear friend of my mom, Harriet. She was a very sweet lady who loved to visit over a cup of coffee!!

Rest In Peace, Norma ❤️🙏



Judy Erdahl - January 09, 2019 at 08:27 PM

BA

“ Bruce & Tammy Anderson lit a candle in memory of Norma Bergstrom



Bruce & Tammy Anderson - January 09, 2019 at 07:29 PM



“ Jean Cobb sent a virtual gift in memory of Norma Bergstrom



Jean Cobb - January 09, 2019 at 07:11 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers to Norma's family & friends. Growing up she was always like another Grandma to me and I can remember spending many days over there with her & Carl.

Heidi Barr (Ziegenhagen)

Heidi Ziegenhagen Barr - January 09, 2019 at 06:30 PM



“ Rest In Peace and continue to watch over your loving family. Hugs and kisses Your New Orleans family (The Alexander's) 🙏

ariel alexander - January 09, 2019 at 06:26 PM



Thank you so much honey!

Shelly Alexander - January 09, 2019 at 11:14 PM



“ Norma was the most honest and faithful friend anyone could ever have.

-Carol Notch

Carol Notch - January 09, 2019 at 05:03 PM