

Arlene Kirsch was born August 18, 1929 in Gladstone to Jens and Cora (Bilden) Enger. She grew up on the Enger family farm south of town. Arlene attended school in a one-room school house near the farm. After school she continued to help her father on the farm. It was during this time that she met Walter Kirsch and the two were married on July 18, 1953. To this union was born three children, Pam, Jim and Lori. They farmed and ranched in the Gladstone community until they moved to Dickinson in 1977. Arlene worked at the Donut Hole in Dickinson for 40 years.

She enjoyed sewing, and made many clothes for her family. She also enjoyed baking, cooking and canning for her family. Arlene was also fond of gardening and working in her flowers.

Arlene was a 4H club leader in her early years. She was also a charter member of the Evening Circle at Taylor Lutheran where she served as president, secretary and steward. She is survived by her children, Pamela (Joe) Kirsch-Dodd, Belgrade, MT; James Kirsch, Christine, ND; Lori Ann Kirsch, Dickinson, ND; numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by both of her parents, her husband, Walter; siblings, Jestina Vangsness, Adeline Lawrence, Vivian Mergenthal, Selmer Enger, Paul Enger and an infant brother, Edward. In Lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials to the Taylor Lutheran Church.

Arlene Kirsch

August 18, 1929 - April 16, 2020



Arilene Kirsch

GRAVESIDE SERVICE:
Wednesday, April 22, 2020 11:00 a.m.
Pioneer Lutheran Cemetery
Rural Gladstone, North Dakota

OFFICIATING:
Mike Pretzer

MUSIC:
Ron Luff
Jean Marcusen

PALLBEARERS:
All of Arilene's Family and Friends

ARRANGEMENTS BY:
Stevenson Funeral Home
Dickinson, North Dakota



God saw she was getting tired
And a cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around her
And whispered, "Come with Me."

With tearful eyes we watched her suffer
And saw her fade away,
Although we loved her dearly
We could not make her stay.

A golden heart stopped beating
Hard working hands to rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.