

### *Footprints*

*One night I had a dream  
I was walking along the beach  
with the Lord, and across the skies  
flashed scenes from my life. In each  
scene I noticed two sets of footprints in  
the sand. One was mine, and one was the  
Lord's. When the last scene of my life ap-  
peared before me, I looked at the foot-  
prints in the sand, and to my surprise, I  
noticed that many times along the path  
of my life there was only one set of foot-  
prints. And I noticed that it was at  
the lowest and saddest times in my  
life. I asked the Lord about it:  
"Lord, you said that once I  
decided to follow you, you  
would walk with me all  
the way. But I notice  
that during the most  
troublesome times in my  
life there is only one set  
of footprints. I don't  
understand why you  
left my side when I  
needed you most." The  
Lord said: "My precious  
child, I never left you  
during your time of  
trial. Where you see  
only one set of foot-  
prints, I was car-  
rying you."*

### **Service**

Tuesday, November 16, 2021 – 11:00 am  
Word of Faith Family Church  
Willmar, Minnesota

**Officiant** – Pastor Rod Rice

### **Congregational Hymns**

*Trust and Obey*

*How Great Thou Art*

Pastor Clint Carter, musician

### **Special Music**

*Amazing Grace* – Joel Johnson

*Rainbow Connection* - Kermit

*Star of the East* – Dorothy Slagter Shockley

*Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone* – Chris Tomlin

### **Honorary Casketbearers**

Dorothy's grandchildren and great-grandchildren

### **Casketbearers**

Terry Vreeman

Terry Slagter

Pat Cain

Nathan Vreeman

Tim Slagter

Andrew Stadem

### **Interment**

Fairview Cemetery  
Willmar, Minnesota

Dorothy Eileen (Vreeman) Slagter Shockley was born January 17, 1936, to John and Julia (Hollander) Vreeman in Sioux Center, IA. They moved to Murdock where she graduated from high school in 1953. Dorothy was named “Miss Murdock.” She continued her education at Willmar Area Vocational Technical Institute, where she studied Cosmetology. Dorothy moved to Danube and started working part time as a beautician in Renville and Olivia. On March 10, 1956, Dorothy was united in marriage to Harvey Slagter. This union was blessed with four children: Jeff, Sue, Jim and Sandy. Harvey passed away on February 1, 2006. Dorothy later met Martin Willis Shockley at The Word of Faith Family Church and they were united in marriage on February 17, 2008, at The Word of Faith Family Church. Dorothy was active at the church where she was a founding member, she helped with Sunday school, led bible study at the church and at many nursing homes playing the piano. Dorothy became an ordained Pastor and even officiated a few weddings. Dorothy loved sharing her faith for the Lord. She was a great seamstress and enjoyed going to any event that her children or grandchildren were involved in. Dorothy and Martin enjoyed traveling, they went on a cruise to Cozumel, Belize and Alaska as well as all over the US. Most of all Dorothy enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. Dorothy was also more than willing to help out where needed and was a great blessing to many people. Dorothy was crowned 1981 Minnesota Mother of the Year. She enjoyed playing the piano especially Star of the East, and also making many Kwik Trips.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Martin Willis Shockley; children: Jeff (Robin) Slagter of Raymond, Sue (Joel) Johnson of Ethel, WA, Jim (Rose) Slagter of Willmar, and Sandy (Robert) Knitt of Oshkosh, WI; 14 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; and siblings: Fran TerWisscha of Lynden, WA, Marvin (Ruby) Vreeman of Willmar, Joan Rens of Sioux Center, IA, Marlys (Dale) VandeReit of Wahkon, John (Linda) Vreeman of Maple Grove; as well as many brothers and sisters-in-law and other family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, first husband: Harvey Slagter; and siblings: Garrett in infancy, Gerald, Dennis, Clayton and Gladys.

Blessed be Dorothy’s memory.

Celebrating the Life

# *Dorothy Eileen Slagter Shockley*

January 17, 1936

November 5, 2021



I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race,  
I have kept the Faith!

2 Timothy 4:7