

Remembering the life of...

Yvonne Rae McConnell (Kingsley), 88, died shortly after midnight Saturday, September 16, 2017 at Essential Health Care, Fargo, ND.

Yvonne was born July 29, 1929 to Fred and Dorothy (Cowen) Kingsley. She was the second of nine children. She was raised on a farm in Wheatland Township in ND. She attended grade school in a one room school house close to the farm. She attended high school at Central Cass in Casselton, ND. Yvonne married William McConnell February 4, 1950 and moved to the McConnell farmstead where they spent their married life and raised their family.

Yvonne was an active member of her community and her church, Arthur United Methodist. She volunteered at the Red River Valley Fair bringing her vast knowledge of gardening and needlework. She was a flower show judge as well as a Master Gardener, she helped beautify not only her home but helped beautify the Red River Valley Fair Grounds, Bonanzaville and the Arthur Good Samaritan Center, and many other places too numerous to mention here.

Yvonne enjoyed her family the most. She was always excited to introduce her family to others when they came to visit and especially relished in telling others how many generations were in her family. Yvonne enjoyed teaching her grandchildren crafting and other skills like gardening, bun making, crocheting, canning and many others. She was eternally patient when she passed on these lessons.

Yvonne was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Dorothy Kingsley, her husband, William, several brothers and sisters and two grandchildren

Yvonne is survived by her brothers, Claire Kingsley, Ronald (Faye) Kingsley, her children, James (Patty), John, Edward (Janet), Daniel (Val), and Mary. Her grandchildren Kelly (Dave) Bowers, Kyle, Michael (Pilar), Daniel (Chrissy), Edward (Crystal), Kristen McConnell (Eric), Brian (Amelia), Katie, Scott, Jamie and Alisha. As well as many great and great-great grandchildren.



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



*Every blade in the field
Every leaf in the forest
Lays down its life in its season
As beautifully as
it was taken up.*

Henry David Thoreau



The family wishes to express their appreciation for your kindness and support during this difficult time. Please join them for fellowship immediately following the service.

Celebrating the life of

YVONNE McCONNELL



FUNERAL SERVICE

Arthur United Methodist Church

Arthur, North Dakota

Friday, September 22, 2017 - 1:30 p.m.

OFFICIANT

The Rev. Quaya Ackerman

MUSIC

Craig Olson, *soloist*

"Amazing Grace"

Rae Rieke, *organist*

Hymns: "In The Garden" No. 314

"All Things Bright And Beautiful" No. 147

PALLBEARERS

Kelly Bowers, Kyle McConnell, Kristen McConnell
Michael McConnell, Daniel McConnell, Brian McConnell
Katie McConnell, Edward McConnell, Scott McConnell
Jamie McConnell, Alisha McConnell, John Duff

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Yvonne's Friends & Relatives

INTERMENT

Casselton Cemetery

Casselton, ND

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