

Remembering the life of....

Arla M. Carlson, 88, of Fargo, ND, formerly of Page, ND, passed away Wednesday, January 24, 2018, at Eventide in Fargo.

Arla Mae Carlson was born January 6, 1930 on a farm near Cooperstown, ND, to Henry and Antoinette (Brendal) Larson. She was raised there and graduated from Cooperstown High School in 1948. Arla attended Mayville Teachers College and taught in rural schools in Griggs County, ND. Arla and Merland Carlson were married on September 26, 1953 in Webster, S.D. They lived in various communities before moving to Page in 1965. She was employed at the Page School, drove special needs bus for a time and was the janitor at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Arla and Merland moved to Fargo in 2001 where she worked at Southeast Human Services and for many years as a demonstrator at Sam's Club.

She was a longtime member, janitor and a part of a circle at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Page and later became a member at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Fargo. She enjoyed spending a few summers at Cotton Lake with her family, traveling, playing cards, gardening, knitting, quilting, playing piano by ear, coffee with friends, attending Hostfest in Minot and dancing with Merland.

Grateful for having shared in her life are her children: Tim (LeeAnn) Carlson of Grand Forks; Valorie (Mark) Christensen of Raleigh, NC, and Todd Carlson of Fargo; 5 grandchildren: Cassie, Catie & David Carlson, Kalli Kalafatich and Kelsi Christensen; 2 great-granddaughters: Remington Kalafatich and Emerson Kalafatich; numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her parents; husband: Merland; brothers: Howard, Maynard & Lester; sisters: Hazelle Smith, Evelyn Hoganson and Doris Gjesdal.





*God hath not promised
Skies always blue.
Flower-strewn pathways
All our lives through:
God hath not promised
Sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow,
Peace without pain.*

*But God hath promised
Strength for the day;
Rest for the labor,
Light for the way;
Grace for the trials,
Help from above;
Unfailing sympathy,
Undying love...*

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

ARLA CARLSON



FUNERAL SERVICE

West Funeral Home Chapel
West Fargo, North Dakota
Monday, January 29, 2018 - 1:00 p.m.

OFFICIANT

The Rev. Sonja Kjar

MUSIC

Melanie Mews, *soloist*
"Just A Closer Walk With Thee"
"Amazing Grace My Chains Are Broken"
Dave Carlson, *soloist*
"How Great Thou Art"
Hymns: "In the Garden"
"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"
Holly Craft, *pianist*

PALLBEARERS

Cassie Carlson, Catie Carlson, David Carlson
Kelsi Christensen, Kaili Kalafatich & Clif Kalafatich

INTERMENT

Page Cemetery

Page, ND

*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.*

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