# Celebrating the life of

So God Made a Farmer's Wife.

And on the 9th day, God looked down on his planned paradise and said, "The farmer needs a caretaker". So God made a farmer's wife. God said, "I need somebody willing to get up before dawn, feed the farmer, work all day in town, come home to work alongside her farmer, make supper, and then go to town and stay past midnight at a meeting of the school board". So God made a farmer's wife.

"I need somebody with arms strong enough to keep up with the farmer yet gentle enough to cuddle a newborn baby. Somebody to run for parts, help in the fields, move trucks, deliver meals, look the farmer in the eyes and tell him 'I love you and the life we've built' – and mean it". So God made a farmer's wife.

God said, "I need somebody willing to sit up all night with their newborn baby. And raise him right. I need somebody who can use a wrench and know where to find it, doesn't mind getting dirty, who can remove stains, and keep a house clean. And who, planting time and harvest season, will finish her forty-hour week by Tuesday noon, then, pain'n from her town job, taking care of the kids, and fieldwork, put in another seventy-two hours". So God made a farmer's wife.

God had to have somebody willing to cancel appointments and change plans and be ready in a minutes notice and yet will never stop and complain about this way of life. So God made a farmer's wife.

God said, "I need somebody strong enough to clean out bins and heave bails, yet gentle enough to raise kids and bottle feed calves and tend to the house, who will drive the tractor and pray to God about the weather. It had to be somebody who'd be able to handle the house and field work and not cut corners. Somebody to seed, weed, feed, breed and wash and dry and cook and clean and remember scheduled events and feed the farmer and stock the cupboards and finish a hard week's work with a five-mile drive to church.

"Somebody who'd bale a family together with the soft strong bonds of sharing, who would laugh and then sigh, and then reply, with smiling eyes, when her daughter says she wants to spend her life 'doing what mom does.'" So God made a farmer wife's.

# MARJORIE BERGMAN

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#### **FUNERAL SERVICE**

Hope Lutheran Church - North Campus Fargo, North Dakota Saturday, December I, 2018 - II:00 a.m.

# **OFFICIANTS**

The Rev. Chuck Belzer The Rev. Matt Cordes Rollie & Lori Blixt, *readers* 

### Music

Craig Olson, soloist
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"
"Jesus Loves Me" "The Lord's Prayer
Donna Atherton, organist
Hymns: "Amazing Grace"
"On Eagle's Wings"

#### **PALLBEARERS**

Rick Kurtz John Bullock Aaron Holm Quist Trevor Holm Quist Tim Bergman Lee Brauckmuller Rick Bergman

# HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Margie's Grandchildren, Nieces & Nephews

# INTERMENT

Sunset Memorial Gardens

Fargo, ND















## In Loving Memory of...

Our cherished mom, Marjorie Bergman completed her earthly journey of 99 years on Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2018 at Rosewood On Broadway, Fargo.

Marjorie Sylvia Anthony was born May 16, 1919 at Argusville, ND to Earl and Minnie Anthony. She was valedictorian of her high school graduating class in Argusville and met her husband to be at a baseball game. Marjorie married Philip G. Bergman on July 19, 1937 in Moorhead, MN. They made their home on the farm near Argusville where they farmed for many years. Phil died in 1993. Marjorie moved into Fargo in the late 90's and entered Rosewood on Broadway in 2013.

Marjorie especially cherished her family. Margie was an excellent cook learning her skills being a farmer's wife, cooking for threshing crews in her early years of marriage. She enjoyed tending her garden and flowers. She was also a seamstress and made her daughters clothes, prom dresses and wedding dresses. She also loved basketball - playing in her youth and watching it on television. Margie and Phil enjoyed winters in AZ, traveling and dancing along with playing cards.

She is survived by four daughters, Phyllis Kurtz of Fargo, Vicki (Gary Ficek) Bergman of Fargo, Connie (Glenn) Augustine of Lake Lillian, MN and Geri (Roger) Langseth of Fargo; 14 grandchildren; 29 great grandchildren; 1 great great grandchild; brother, Allen Anthony of West Fargo; and several nieces and nephews.

Marjorie was preceded in death by her husband; grand-daughter, Debra Kathryn Weaver; and three siblings, Evelyn (Walter) Brauckmuller, Junior "Sonny" (Ann) Anthony and Beverly Reisenauer.

Memorials may be directed to the Herby Lutheran Church, rural Argusville or a charity of your choice.

Our heartfelt thanks to all the Staff on third floor North at Rosewood, for the 5 years of loving, compassionate care they provided for our Mother.





Remembering the life of

# MARJORIE BERGMAN

MAY 16, 1919 - NOVEMBER 27, 2018