

Remembering the life of....

Eleanore Elizabeth Broton, age 91, peacefully passed away on Wednesday, June 26, 2019, at Bethany on 42nd in Fargo. She was born on August 15, 1927, in rural Niagara, ND. Eleanore was the fourth of 16 children born to Bill and Alma (Schmidt) Behm. During part of her childhood, she lived with her Aunt Eleanore, who taught her to play piano. She graduated from Michigan High School in 1945. Soon after, she met James A. Broton. Throughout a period of seeing each other at dances and writing letters during the war, they fell in love. They married in Fargo on April 16, 1947. In 1948, they moved to New England, ND, where they raised their family. Eleanore was the school secretary for many years while James served as the superintendent.

She was very involved in the community, as well. She played for church services for decades at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. Her love of music extended beyond this. She was known for attending the Concordia Christmas Concerts regularly since the 1940s. She brought her family to these concerts and even inspired some to perform in them. Eleanore also was a strong advocate for a well-rounded education. Her love of learning encouraged all her children and grandchildren to earn higher education degrees, and she even helped them pay for college.

Eleanore is survived by her children, Steve (Judy) Broton, Reedsburg, WI, Maureen (David) Jones, Plymouth, MN, Spencer (Sheila) Broton, West Fargo, ND; her grandchildren, Ginny (Dr. Patrick) Jackson, Dr. Mike (Darielle) Broton, Sarah (Ryan) Olson, Dr. Katie (J.) Broton, James (Sara) Broton, Megan Broton, and Jake Jones; and her great-grandchildren, Camille Jackson, Ellis Jackson, Sydney Olson, Will Olson, and Macy Olson. They will continue to carry on her legacy. She is also survived by six siblings: Bill Behm, Eunice (John) Novick, Lorraine Abbott, Verdell Smith, Ione (Roger) Jacobson, and Marie (Floyd) Bye. Eleanore was preceded in death by her husband James, her infant son Scott, her parents Bill and Alma, and nine siblings: Donald, Irvin, Vernon, Virgil, Bob, Elaine, Jeanette, Irene, and Delores. Her family is comforted knowing she has been reunited with these loved ones.



I'M FREE



*Don't grieve for me,
for now I'm free!
I'm following the path
God laid for me.
I took His hand
when I heard Him call.
I turned my back
and left it all.
I could not stay
another day*

*To laugh, to love,
to work or play.*

*Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found my peace at the end of day.*

If my parting has left a void,

Then fill it with remembered joy-

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

But be not burdened with times of sorrow.

I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow!

My life's been full, I've savored much-

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief

Don't try to lengthen it with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me.

God wanted me. He set me free!

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

ELEANORE E. BROTON

FUNERAL SERVICE

West Funeral Home & Life Tribute Center

West Fargo, North Dakota

Monday, July 1, 2019 - 2:00 p.m.

OFFICIANT

Rev. Phil Larson - *Bethany Homes Chaplain*

SCRIPTURE & OTHER READINGS

Eleanore's Family

John 3:16 John 14:1,2 John 6:35,51

1 Corinthians 13

MUSIC

Jim Broton, *soloist* "Amazing Grace"

Breanna Breidenbach, *pianist*

Hymns: "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

"How Great Thou Art" "Beautiful Savior"

CASKET BEARERS

Eleanore's Grandchildren

Ginny Jackson

Dr. Mike Broton

Sarah Olson

Dr. Katie Broton

James Broton

Megan Broton

Jake Jones

SHARED MEMORIES

By Eleanore's Family & Friends

INTERMENT

Petersburg (ND) Cemetery

Tuesday, July 2, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.

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