

### *Remembering the life of....*

Joyce D. Monson, 89, Harwood, ND died on Friday, Aug. 30, 2019 at Sheyenne Crossings in West Fargo, ND.

Joyce D. Gunderson was born Sept. 13, 1929 on the family farm between Enderlin and Lisbon, ND. She was the second oldest of seven siblings. She attended Moore Country School and graduated from high school in Lisbon. Joyce married Myron Monson on October 2, 1953 in Enderlin, ND. They operated the family centennial farm at Harwood. They retired from farming in 1986, but remained involved through the years. Myron passed away in 2009. Joyce later moved into Fargo.

Joyce was first and foremost a farm wife and mother – and she loved it! Joyce loved time with her grandchildren and was instrumental in their upbringing. She enjoyed cooking, gardening, dancing and singing in the Maple Sheyenne Church Choir. Joyce looked forward to the Gunderson family reunion every June. The “Fearsome Foursome” (Lileks, Tehvens, Rusts and Monsons) were especially a part of her greatest enjoyments.

Joyce is survived by a son, Keith (Jann) of Harwood, ND; daughter, Janet (Mark) France of Fargo, ND; daughter-in-law, Nancy Monson of Prior Lake, MN; seven grandchildren, Kimberly (Bob), Nick (Breanna), Katie, Staci, Olivia, Hannah and Molly; four great grandchildren, Justine and Bobby, Miles and Gretta; siblings, Allen of Billings, MT, Charles (Ruth) of Baraboo, WI, Dale (Norma) of St. Anthony, MN, Richard (Barbara) of Osceola, IA, Karen (George) Ormiston of Hettinger, ND and Diane (Barry) Gillund of Enderlin, ND; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Myron; son, Bruce; and grandson, Eric.



Celebrating the life of  
**JOYCE MONSON**



**FUNERAL SERVICE**

Maple Sheyenne Lutheran Church

Harwood, North Dakota

Wednesday, September 4, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.

**Officiant**

The Rev. Nichole Johnson

**Music**

Maple Sheyenne Choir

"Thy Will Be Done"

Donna Linnertz, *pianist*

Hymns: "In The Garden"

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

**Honorary Pallbearers**

*Joyce's Grandchildren*

Kimberly Hoffman, Nicholas Monson,  
Katie Monson, Stacie Monson, Olivia France,  
Hannah France & Molly France

**Interment**

Maple Sheyenne Cemetery

Harwood, ND

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



God looked around his garden

And found an empty place.

He then looked down

upon the earth and

saw your tired face.

He put his arms around you

And lifted you to rest.

God's garden must be beautiful

He always takes the best.

He knew you were suffering,

He knew that you were in pain.

He knew that you would never

Get well on earth again.

He saw the road was getting rough

And the hills were hard to climb.

He closed your weary eyelids

And whispered, "Peace Be Thine."

It broke our hearts to lose you,

But you didn't go alone.

Part of us went with you

The day God called you home.

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