

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

Mary Sluke, 63, of West Fargo, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Sunday, October 11, 2020 after a long battle with Multiple System Atrophy.

Mary Christine Overlund was born January 4, 1957, in Minneapolis, MN, the daughter of Rev. Ervin and Sylvia (Moe) Overlund. The family lived in Minneapolis; Seattle; and Coulee, Benedict, and Fordville, ND. She graduated from Fordville High School and attended Mayville State. On July 1, 1977, Mary and her high school sweetheart, David Sluke, were married at the Fordville Lutheran Church. The couple lived in Hoople, Crystal, Grafton, and West Fargo. Mary was employed at the First American Bank and the Life Skills and Transition Center in Grafton.



Mary was a very kind, humble, and selfless woman, focusing her energy on family and friends. Her family will forever be warmed by the quilts Mary lovingly provided. She was an inspiration to many for her smile, positive attitude, and uplifting spirit that carried her through to the end when God carried her home.

Grateful for having shared in her life are her husband, David; children, Kari (Ryan) Edmondson of Seattle, Jennifer (James) Marshall of Sammamish, WA, and Lori (Elliot) Steinbrink of West Fargo; grandchildren, Sonja and Lucas Edmondson, Oliver and Anna Marshall, and Emma, Adrina, Noah, and Lola Steinbrink; and siblings, Ruth (Bob) Gorham of Rancho Santa Margarita, CA, Tim (Hanna Petros) Overlund of Seattle, Joel (Theresa) Overlund of Bend, OR, and Rachel (Cully) Waggoner of Miami.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ervin and Sylvia Overlund; father-and mother-in-law, Lynn and Joanne Sluke; and brother-in-law, Daniel Sluke.

*Mary's great hope was to remain in her home throughout her illness. That goal was realized with the help of the care teams from the Hospice of the Red River Valley and Home Instead, alongside her husband and daughters. The family would like to direct memorials to the Hospice of the Red River Valley or MSA Coalition (Multiple System Atrophy) in lieu of floral arrangements.*

*The family wishes to express their appreciation for your kindness and support during this difficult time.*







**Precious Lord, Take My Hand  
Lead me on, Help me stand.  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
Hear my cry, hear my call,  
hold my hand, lest I fall.  
Take my hand, Precious Lord,  
lead me Home.**

**Nearing life's journeys end,  
Be my guide, be my friend.  
Give me strength, Lord to overcome.  
I'll not go alone,  
for by Grace I'm thine own.  
Take my hand, Precious Lord,  
lead me Home.**

*Celebrating the life of*

**MARY SLUKE**



### **MEMORIAL SERVICE**

Prairie Heights Community Church

West Fargo, North Dakota

Friday, October 16, 2020 ~ 11 a.m.

### **Officiants**

Pastors Stephen Abbott & Justin Erdmann

### **Speakers**

Jennifer Marshall, David Sluke & Lisa Sluke

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18, 23-24

### **Music**

*"I Was There To Hear Your Borne Cry"*

Sonja Edmondson

*"It Is Well With My Soul" "The Lord's Prayer"*

### **Urn Bearers**

Joel Overlund Tim Overlund

### **Honorary Urn Bearers**

Sonja Edmondson Lucas Edmondson Oliver Marshall

Anna Marshall Emma Steinbrink Adrina Steinbrink

Noah Steinbrink Lola Steinbrink

### **Final Resting Place**

Riverside Cemetery

Fargo, North Dakota

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