



Shirley Ann Selvaag was born May 18, 1935, at home in Folden Township, rural Vining, Minnesota, the daughter of Edwin and Sigrid Selvaag. She was baptized, confirmed, and married in the Folden Lutheran Church. She attended rural School District #265 in Folden Township and graduated from Henning High School in 1954. On June 11, 1955, Shirley, and Gilbert Lovro were married at the Folden Lutheran Church. Gil was in the army and the couple moved to Germany for 2 years. Their first daughter, Wendy, was born there. After the army, the couple owned and operated a dairy farm near Vining, where Dawn and Jill were born.

Shirley had huge gardens and canned everything. She sewed most of her daughters' clothes and helped Gil in the barn.

Gil died in 1982. Shirley married Wayne Gunderson on January 11, 1985. Shirley and Wayne Gunderson farmed until Wayne's retirement. They bought Shirley's home farm and moved there, where Shirley enjoyed gardening, mowing the lawn, and keeping things neat. Shirley and Wayne enjoyed traveling, taking road trips to California, Washington D.C., Alaska, Iceland, and Canada; as well as 2 trips to Norway. Shirley and Wayne were crowned Vining Watermelon King and Queen in 2003. They were active members of the Sons of Norway and volunteered many hours to build a Habitat for Humanity home in Hawaii. Shirley was a lifetime member of the Folden Lutheran Church. She was a member of the Welca and the Esther Circle and she also taught Sunday School. She especially liked making flower arrangements and decorating the church for special occasions. She liked helping with the Syttende Mai dinner every May and loved the annual Tour of Tables, quilting and making layettes. Shirley loved her church family and was always willing to make a meal or help in the kitchen.

Shirley's husband Wayne died in 2009, but she continued to live on her home farm until her passing. Shirley was preceded in death by her parents Edwin and Sigrid Selvaag, husbands Gilbert Lovro Jr. and Wayne Gunderson; brother: Stan Selvaag; brother-in-law: Romaine Stephan; a great granddaughter: Cambree Grabow.

In Loving Memory



Shirley Gunderson

**MAY 18, 1935
JANUARY 7, 2022**

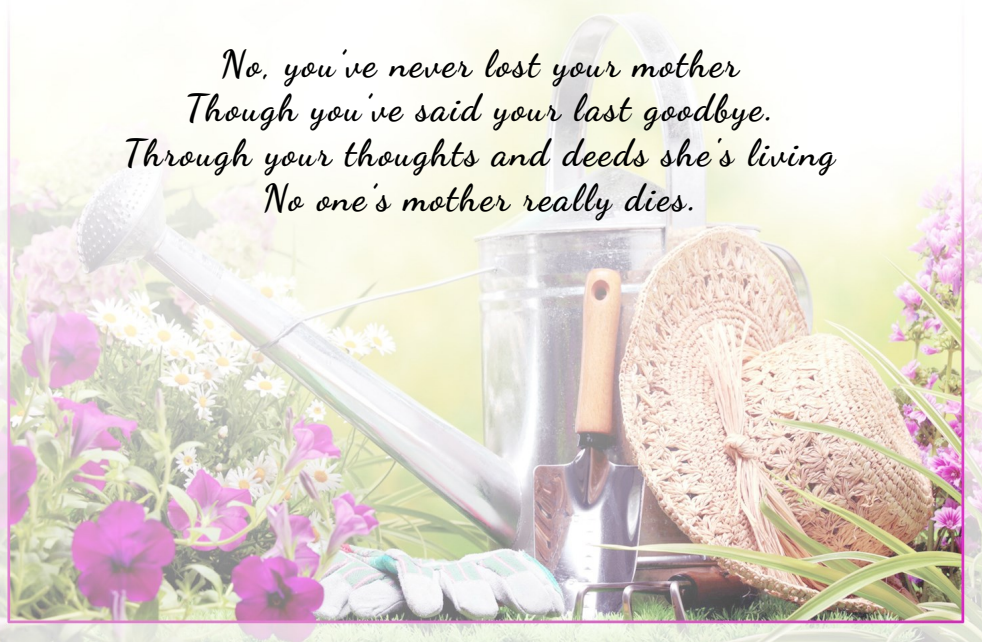
*You have never lost your mother
Though you've said the last goodbyes.
Though there's heartbreak in the parting.
No one's mother really dies*

*If you love to hear the old songs
For the memories they bring
Its because you had a mother
Who taught your heart to sing*

*If you stop to help a neighbor
Search your heart and you will find
Its because you had a mother
Who taught you to be kind*

*If you go to church when weary
Seeking God to guide your way
Its because you had a mother
Who taught you how to pray.*

*No, you've never lost your mother
Though you've said your last goodbye.
Through your thoughts and deeds she's living
No one's mother really dies.*



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Shirley Ann Gunderson

Born

May 18, 1935
Vining, Minnesota

Died

January 7, 2022
Fargo, North Dakota

Service

Folden Lutheran Church
Vining, Minnesota
Friday, January 21, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

Clergy

Rev. Rud Wasson, Jr.

Organist

Violet Moen

Soloist

Melanie Koltes

Survived By

Children: Wendy (Jeff) Grabow; Dawn (Craig) Cordes; and Jill (Andy) Beim; grandchildren: Jesse (Shari) Grabow; Jacob (Shannon) Grabow; Holly Miller; Chelsey (Nick) Waskosky; Jordan (Michelle) Beim; and Ashley (Drake) Roth; 11 great-grandchildren: Brock, Bridger, and Briar Grabow; Isaac and Adam Grabow; Carly, Abbie and Ella Swanson; and Elijah Denny, Mason and Payton Miller; sister: Dolores Stephan; sisters-in-law: Karen Selvaag; JoAnn Lovro; and Ruby Christopherson; brother Jerry (Mavis) Selvaag; many nieces, nephews, and cousins

Laid to Rest

Folden Lutheran Cemetery
Vining, Minnesota