Arlys Harmon, age 93, died Monday, March 9, 2020 surrounded by her family at Golden Acres Manor, Carrington.

Arlys Inger Skadberg was born on March 21, 1926 in Carrington, ND to John and Mamie Skadberg. She graduated from Carrington High School and attended Concordia College for two years. She then taught math at Annamose High School, where despite her being almost as young as her students, inspired two students to become math majors!

On December 27, 1946 she married Ralph Harmon, with the reception being held at the Harmon farmhouse. Arlys and Ralph then returned to NDSU where their first son Michael was born in October, 1947. Arlys graduated from NDSU in June 1948 with a degree in home economics, effectively becoming a wife, mother, college graduate and teacher all by the age of 21!

The next few years were spent in Austin, MN and Mitchell, SD where Ralph was employed with the Hormel organization. Ralph and Arlys later returned to the family farm north of Carrington where they raised their children, hosted many holiday parties with their extended family and continued to grow the family farm operations.



Arlys was a mother, grandmother, great grandmother, home maker, active community member and avid bridge player. She also loved gardening, sewing, painting and traveling. She and Ralph traveled the world together and especially enjoyed spending time in Hawaii. Arlys was talented at so many things and made you feel like every day was an adventure. Every place she lived became a testament to her love of beauty and comfort.

Arlys is survived by her children Michael Harmon, Rapid City, SD, Jane Harmon, Los Angeles, CA, Kitty Harmon, Helena, MT, Joan Harmon(Jim Calder), New York City, Jim (Maria) Harmon, Carrington, Tom (Amii) Harmon, Eaton, CO, and Anne (Andy) Harmon Gale, Nyack, NY; sisters, Judy (Ron) Semmens, Mayville, ND, Sonja Shannon, Rapid City, SD; sisters-in law Jeanette Skadberg, Gold Canyon, AZ and Patti Skadberg, Carrington, brother-in-law Arlo Neumiller

Fargo, ND, 18 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and a large extended family of cousins, nieces and nephews.

Arlys was preceded in death by her son Paul, her parents, her husband Ralph, five brothers, Stanley, Jerry, Marvin, Kermit, and Jim, sisters-in-laws, Elsie, Doris, Marvel and brother-in-law Robert Shannon.

Memorials can be given to the Carrington Cemetery Association, PO Box 355, Carrington, ND 58421.



In Loving Memory of



Arlys I. Harmon

March 21, 1926 - March 9, 2020



"When Death Comes"

I want to step through the door full of curiosity, wondering:
what is it going to be like, that cottage of darkness?
And therefore I look upon everything
as a brotherhood and a sisterhood,
and I look upon time as no more than an idea,
and I consider eternity as another possibility,
and I think of each life as a flower, as common
as a field daisy, and as singular,
and each name a comfortable music in the mouth,
tending, as all music does, toward silence,
and each body a lion of courage, and something
precious to the earth.

When it's over, I want to say all my life
I was a bride married to amazement.
I was the bridegroom, taking the world into my arms.
When it's over, I don't want to wonder
if I have made of my life something particular, and real.
I don't want to find myself sighing and frightened,
or full of argument.
I don't want to end up simply having visited this world.

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Arlys J. Harmon

March 21, 1926 – Barlow, ND March 9, 2020 – Carrington, ND

ROSARY & VIGIL SERVICE

Friday, March 13, 2020 Rosary ~ 6:45PM & Vigil Service ~ 7:00PM Evans Funeral Home, Carrington, ND

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Saturday, March 14, 2020 ~ 10:00AM Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Carrington, ND

OFFICIATING

Father Terry Dodge

SPECIAL MUSIC

Marlene Boyer ~ Pianist
Scott Beumer ~ Soloist and Sacred Heart Choir

PALLBEARERS

Tony Lecce ~ Michael Harmon ~ Ian Harmon
Dominic Harmon ~ Brett Harmon ~ Damien Harmon
Abel Harmon ~ Kellin Harmon ~ Justin Harmon-Calder
Robert Harmon ~ Sean Calder ~ Leah Kemp ~ Ellie Harmon
Anna Harmon ~ Gina Plumb ~ Serena Harmon
Maya Berna ~ Catherine Taylor

BURIAL

Carrington Cemetery - Carrington, ND

Arrangements by
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