

Darla Hagen, age 84, of Sheyenne, ND, died Saturday, January 21, 2023, at Sanford Health, Bismarck, ND.

Darla was born March 27, 1938 at the "Schafer House" which at that time was the hospital in Maddock, ND. She is the daughter of Elmer and Gladys (Mattson) Guskjolen; she was raised on the family farm in Arne Township, Benson County. Darla spent her first eight years going to Arne Country School, which was a two-room school, rural Maddock. She was Baptized in the Fairview Lutheran Church, rural Maddock, confirmed at Maddock North Viking Lutheran Church. During her high school years, she worked as a CNA in the Maddock Memorial Hospital and later at the State Hospital in Jamestown; she became the charge Nurse when they opened the new addition in 1956. Darla continued her education and graduated from Benson County Agriculture and Training School at Maddock on June 1, 1956.

On December 16, 1956, Darla was united in marriage to Virgil Hagen at Fairview Lutheran Church. They lived on a farm west of Sheyenne, where they were blessed with six children that grew up on the family farm. After twenty-seven years of being out of school Darla took a satellite Nursing Course out of Wahpeton, ND, (State School of Science) and graduated with a degree in Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN). Darla worked for several years at the Lutheran Home of The Good Shepherd in New Rockford and four years at The Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Devils Lake. She also cared for others in their homes in the area as an in-home care program.

Darla volunteered her time to many programs throughout the years, she was the President, Vice President and Secretary for the Eden Church Women, President of PTA at Sheyenne School, she belonged to Sons of Norway, she was on the Wells County Farmers Union Board for several years. She was also Secretary and Treasurer for the Fairview Cemetery Board. Darla taught Sunday School from 1964 until 1982, therefore she taught all of her children in Sunday School. She also taught Bible School for many years.

Darla loved her flowers, she could often be found during the summer in her beautiful yard and the gardens she grew. She enjoyed canning and baking everything from scratch that she produced.

She loved spending time with her children as they grew up and had children of their own. Spending time with her grandchildren was a highlight throughout the years and as they too grew up and had children of their own, marveling the time spent with her great-grandchildren. Many nieces, nephews and family friends were cherished as part of her own family. She loved all of those who she knew and they all loved her.

Darla is survived by two sons, Randy (Henrietta), Hutchinson, MN, Dean, Maddock, ND; three daughters, Charlotte (Douglas) Rupp, Crystal, MN, Nancy Hagen (Jeff), Harvey, ND, Cindy Schuster (Eric), Carrington, ND; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; a sister, Janice (Herb) Hill, Appleton, WI and a brother, Larry (Nimfa) Guskjolen, Willcox, AZ, a brother-in-law, Delmer, Cathay, ND; a sister-in-law, Diane (Ed) Bratvold, Inver Grove Heights, MN; and two special family members, LaVonne Anderson and LaVerne Erickson, along with several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Virgil; a son, Craig; her parents; two grandchildren, Lauren Hagen and Andrew Martinez.

Celebrating
THE LIFE OF



Darla Hagen

MARCH 27, 1938 – JANUARY 21, 2023



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 that peace at the close 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.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, he set me free.

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March 27, 1938 – Maddock, ND
January 21, 2023 – Bismarck, ND

VISITATION

Thursday, January 26, 2023
1:00PM - 7:00PM
Evans Funeral Home, New Rockford, ND

FUNERAL SERVICE

Friday, January 27, 2023 ~ 11:00AM
First Lutheran Church, Sheyenne, ND

OFFICIATING

Pastor Jeff Halvorson

MUSIC

Mary Ellen Rue ~ Organist
Recorded Music
Where The Roses Never Fade ~ Where We'll Never Grow Old
by Justin Trevino
Congregational Hymns
Amazing Grace ~ Take My Hand Precious Lord

PALLBEARERS

Jeff Newman ~ Andy Uhlich ~ Jacob Gable
Nathan Lund ~ Curtis Larson ~ Sean McKinney

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

All of Darla's Grandchildren
Guardian Angels are all of Darla's Great Grandchildren

BURIAL

Eden Lutheran Cemetery, rural Sheyenne, ND in the spring

Arrangements by
Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND
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