

Betty Georgeson, age 86, passed away on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at CHI St. Alexius Health in Carrington, ND, surrounded by family.

Betty Jane Nyhusmoen was born on September 16, 1939, to Sigurd and Blenda (Simonson) Nyhusmoen in rural Sheyenne, ND. She attended country school before graduating from Sheyenne Public School in 1957. Betty earned her first teaching degree from Minot State that same year and soon began what would become a lifelong calling.

Her early years of teaching took her across North Dakota, to Alaska and even halfway around the world. One of the highlights of her single life was serving with the Lutheran Mission in Papua New Guinea, where from 1967 to 1969 she taught children at the Kabak Station. She often spoke of that experience as one of her life's greatest adventures!

Her teaching travels continued — from summers abroad in Germany and Norway, to classrooms in Beach, Ketchikan and Wolf Point — yet Betty's heart was always with her students. She returned to North Dakota in 1969 to teach in Jamestown before marrying Gary Georgeson on October 24, 1970, at First Lutheran Church in Sheyenne. Together they raised three children — Troy, Tara and Kerstin — while making their home on a farm near New Rockford and later west of Sheyenne. Betty poured her love into family life, encouraging her daughters in their music and surrounding her children with the same curiosity and joy for learning she brought to every classroom.

Over the course of her career, Betty taught countless students in both small towns and larger schools. She was a reading specialist at Sheyenne Public School from 1989 until its closing and also taught kindergarten in Oberon. Her colleagues and students remember her as a teacher who touched lives with patience, creativity and a belief that every child could learn. She left a lasting impact not just in the classroom, but in the hearts of the children and families she served.

After retiring, Betty found joy in tending her yard and gardens, filling her days with flowers, books and friendships. Known for her quick wit, positive outlook and love of knowledge, she remained curious and engaged in the world around her. The Sheyenne community became her family and she cherished the lifelong friends she made there.

Most of all, she treasured time with her children and grandchildren, who knew her as a steady presence, a source of encouragement and a woman whose love ran deep.

Betty is survived by her son, Troy of New Rockford/Drayton, ND; daughters, Kerstin (Jamie) Allmaras of New Rockford and Tara Georgeson of Newfolden, MN; grandchildren, Kaia (Jake) Moen, Gretchen Georgeson, Anya Georgeson, Rachel Georgeson, Jack Georgeson, Katie Allmaras, Thomas Allmaras; step great-grandsons, Zaiden and Abel Moen; sister, Janice Nielsen; sister-in-law, LouAnn Nyhusmoen; brother-in-law, Quentin Georgeson; and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Gary; her parents; brother, Arnold Nyhusmoen; brothers-in-law, Eugene Nielsen, Aldon (Edith) Georgeson, and Dean (Fern) Georgeson; sisters-in-law, Maxine Michaels, Neola (Charles) Richter, and Delores Georgeson.

Celebrating

THE LIFE OF



Betty Georgeson

SEPTEMBER 16, 1939 – SEPTEMBER 16, 2025



The Road Not Taken

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.
by Robert Frost

One of Betty's favorite poems she loved because its final lines reflected her own life. She had two roads to choose from and she was grateful she took the one less traveled. In walking that path, she also walked faithfully with Jesus. Through her many experiences, travels and choices, she followed her own road — never with the crowd, but always true to herself and her faith. She lived by that spirit all her life.

Celebrating The Life Of *Betty Jane Georgeson*

September 16, 1939 – rural Sheyenne, ND

September 16, 2025 – Carrington, ND

VISITATION & PRAYER SERVICE

Sunday, September 21, 2025

Visitation 5:00PM - 7:00PM

Prayer Service 7:00PM

First Lutheran Church, New Rockford, ND

FUNERAL SERVICE

Monday, September 22, 2025

10:30AM

First Lutheran Church, New Rockford, ND

OFFICIATING

Rev. Amy Kippen

SPECIAL MUSIC

Annette Hovey ~ Organist

Congregational Hymn ~ *Praise To The Lord, The Almighty* #858

How Beautiful

Annette Hovey, Kerstin Allmaras, Katie Allmaras, Hallie Brown

Congregational Hymn ~ *On Eagle's Wings* #787

I Can Only Imagine

Annette Hovey, Hallie Brown, Deb Omoth, Darcy Subramaniam

Congregational Hymn ~ *How Great Thou Art* #856

Recessional ~ *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* #836

PALLBEARERS

Rachel Georgeson ~ Jack Georgeson

Kaia Moen ~ Gretchen Georgeson ~ Anya Georgeson

Katie Allmaras ~ Thomas Allmaras

HONORARY BEARERS

All of Betty's Family and Close Friends

BURIAL

Grandfield Lutheran Cemetery, Sheyenne, ND

Arrangements by

Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND

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