

*Leona E. Arneson, 99, Lake Park, MN died Tuesday, March 19, 2019
at Sunnyside Care Center, Lake Park.*

Leona Eleanora Johnson was born July 31, 1919 in Lake Eunice Township near Detroit Lakes, MN to Nels and Agnes (Johnson) Johnson. She was a graduate of District 99, a rural country school in the Lake Eunice area. As a young lady she worked for Pettibone Lodge in Shoreham Village near Detroit Lakes. On July 17, 1937 she married the love of her life, Maynard “Mike” Arneson. Leona and Mike welcomed two daughters to their family: Lois and Sharon. Leona worked hard her entire life raising her family all the while helping operations on the farm, from milking the cattle, taking care of the chickens to driving heavy machinery. Leona was an extraordinary lady, willing to do what it took to make sure her family was well cared for. She was a wonderful cook and baker, known for her lefsa. She enjoyed tending to her garden raising raspberries and was talented in embroidery. In the fall Leona canned the produce made by her garden and would often share it with family and friends. Leona centered her life around her family and her church. She was devoted wife, mother and grandmother who will be deeply missed.

Leona is survived by her daughter, Sharon, five grandchildren: Leanna (Bruce) Lunde of Lake Park, MN, John (Brenda) Lunde of Lake Park, MN, Gary (Linda) Bergh of Rogers, AR and Tom (Gina) Bergh of Audubon, MN. She is also survived by many great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband Maynard “Mike” Arneson, one daughter Lois and her husband Henry Bergh, one grandson Mike and his wife Kevin Bergh and son-in-law, George Seley.



Safe In The Arms Of Jesus

Leona Eleanora Arneson

Born to Life on Earth
July 31, 1919
Lake Eunice Township
Minnesota

Born to Life Eternal
March 19, 2019
Lake Park
Minnesota



In My Mother's Kitchen

In my mother's kitchen are the utensils pots and pans -
that she could wield so masterfully with busy, happy hands.
in my mother's kitchen she created with such ease-
a feast for 100 or a meal for 2 always ready to please.
And in my mother's kitchen, she would sing as she would cook
harmony in the foods prepared, love in each corner and nook.

In my mother's kitchen from the time that I was small-
wonderful, scrumptious snacks and meals she created for us all.
Oh, yes my mother's kitchen! If those walls could only speak,
they would tell you of our hopes and dreams
and memories so sweet.

For you see my mothers kitchen was the center of our home
filled with love and nourishment for our bodies and our souls.
Each one, friends and family, was an honored guest
and no matter where she served us, we loved her kitchen best.
And although my mother's kitchen will never be the same,
her recipes and teachings live on in other names;
Daughters and grandchildren, and so on down the line-
the love that she instilled in us will stand the test of time.
Yes, in my mother's kitchen is where I liked to be-
that's where I felt the closest to the love she had for me.

A Celebration of a Life Lived For Christ

Saturday, March 23, 2019 — 11:00am
Lake Eunice Evangelical Free Church
Rural Detroit Lakes, Minnesota
Pastor Dale Robins, ***Officiating***

Special Music

Vern Wolff, ***Pianist***
Dan Ottoson, ***Soloist***

"In the Garden" and *"Inside the Eastern Gate"*

Congregational Hymns

"When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder"
"Mansion Over the Hilltop"
"When We All Get To Heaven"

Casket Bearers

Bruce Lunde, Brandon Lunde, Caleb Lunde
Joshua Seley, Josiah Seley and Branden Schoeberl

Spring Interment

St. Peter's Lutheran Church Cemetery
Audubon, Minnesota