



When we are children, we are happy and gay
And our Mother is young and she laughs as we play;
Then as we grow up, she teaches us truth
And lays life's foundation in the days of our youth.
And then it is time for us wherever we roam;
For all that she taught us and all that we did
When we were so often just a "bad, little kid"
We will often remember and realize
That Mothers Are Special and Wonderfully Wise...

And as she grows older we look back with love
Knowing that Mothers are "Gifts From Above"
And when she "goes home" to receive her reward
She will dwell in God's Kingdom and "Keep House
For the Lord"

Where she will "light up" the stars that shine
Through the night
And Keep Moonbeams "sparkling and bright."
And then with the dawn, she will put the darkness away
And the sun "scours" the sky to brilliance each day...

So dry tears of sorrow for Mothers Don't Die
They just move in with God and "Keep House in the Sky;"
And There in God's Kingdom, Mothers watch from above
To welcome their children, with their undying love!

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In Memory



Kathryn Eckroth, 84, of Mandan passed away on April 10, 2019 in a Bismarck Care Center surrounded by her family.

Kathryn was born on September 10, 1934 to Christian and Marianne (Vogel) Doll in Mandan, ND. She was raised on the family farm in Breien, North Dakota. She attended school in Fallon, ND and Copenhagen School District. When Kathryn was 15 her mother passed away. She then took on the role of “Mom” along with being the big sister to her four younger sisters.

On February 1, 1954 she married Joseph Eckroth in Fallon. They lived and farmed on the farm that Joe was raised on and during this time they were blessed with eight children. In 1972 the family moved to Mandan, ND.

Kathryn worked as a cook at the Seven Seas, River Ridge Coffee Shop & The Amvets. While at the Seven Seas she was affectionately given the nickname “Mama Kay” by the many young teenage kids she worked with and she was known as “Mama Kay” until she retired from the Amvets in 2011.

Kathryn’s children, grandchildren and great grandchildren were her pride & joy. She loved to cook & bake for her family and Sunday’s were always a day of gathering for a dinner of her famous meatballs & gravy and apple pie. She was very proud of her homemade pickles and jelly. When she wasn’t cooking, baking or canning, she enjoyed embroidering.

Kathryn will be deeply missed by her 8 children; Lola (Robin) Lee, Bismarck, Kay (Maury) Kamins, Bismarck, Donna (Greg) Pflieger, Bismarck, Randy (Cindi) Eckroth, Bismarck, Allan (Bridget) Eckroth, Grand Forks, Karen Eckroth & special friend Merrill, Bernie (RaeAnn) Eckroth, Mandan, Patty (Doug) Geiger, Mandan. 18 grandchildren, 36 great grandchildren, four sisters; Hilda (Ray) Fitterer, Mandan, Leona Stegmiller, Mandan, MaryAnn (Blaise) Koch, Mandan, Veronica (Larry) Olson, Lakewood, WA and sister-in-law, Angie Doll, New Salem. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Joseph, her parents, one brother, two sisters, and great grandchild, Katelyn Lee.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the nurses, CNA’s and staff at Missouri Slope Lutheran Care Center for the love and wonderful care they gave Kathryn while she was there. The family is forever grateful.

Following the burial the family invites you for lunch and fellowship in the Spirit of Life Activity Center.

In Loving Memory Of
Kathryn Eckroth

September 10, 1934 — April 10, 2019

Parish Rosary/Vigil

Monday, April 15, 2019; 7:00 PM

Weigel Funeral Home

Deacon Gary Mizeur

Presider

Tuesday, April 16, 2019; 10:30 AM

Funeral Liturgy

Spirit of Life Catholic Church

Reverend Todd Kreitinger

Celebrant

Musicians

Jess Friesz & Janelle Thomas

Opening Song

“On Eagle’s Wings”

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8, 14-15

Lector

Linda Urlacher

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 63

“My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.”

New Testament Reading

Romans 6:3-9

Lector

Lori Nagel

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12a

Homily

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts Song

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

Presentation of Gifts

Consecration of Eucharist

Communion Song

“I Am the Bread of Life”

Communion Meditation

“Amazing Grace”

Final Commendation

“Song of Farewell”

Closing Song

“Shepherd Me O God”

Gift Bearers - Granddaughters

Jen Garlie ~ Valerie McDowell ~ Sara Steidler ~ Beth Wangler

Erin Greuel ~ Aly Barclay ~ Shelby Geiger ~ Carley Geiger

Casket Bearers - Grandsons

Jeremy Lee ~ Ryan Pflieger ~ Chad Pflieger ~ Justin Fleck

Kyle Eckroth ~ Jesse Eckroth ~ Jacob Geiger ~ Jeremy Parrish ~ Lucas Fleck

Interment

Mandan Union Cemetery

Mandan, North Dakota