

Remembering the Life of

Estella M. Zavadil

Estella (Brosh) Zavadil was born on January 31, 1944 in Glenwood, Minnesota to Mike and Myrtle (Hippe) Brosh. She grew up on the farm and went to grade school in Lowry, Minnesota before attending high school in Glenwood and graduating in 1962.

Estella was united in marriage to Gaylen Zavadil on September 5, 1966 at St. John Nepomuk Catholic Church. They moved to the Zavadil family farm in Alexandria where they welcomed their three children: Michael, Emmy, and Monty. Estella worked at the Alex Clinic in payroll beginning in 1965 and retired in 2001.

Estella was known for sharing her delicious cookies that she baked in her magic kitchen and for her humor and quick wit. She loved her children and grandchildren and attended many of their performances, events and celebrations. Estella enjoyed traveling around the world and taking many bus tours especially to her favorite place Branson, Missouri. Her greatest love and best friend was her sweetheart Gaylen. They were married for 44 years before his passing in 2011. Her family takes great comfort in knowing that Gaylen greeted her in Heaven and they are together again.

Estella is survived by her three children Michael (Laura) Zavadil of Rockford, Michigan, Emmy (Joe) Foster of Rosemount, Minnesota, and Monty (Jean) Zavadil of Silver Bay, Minnesota. She treasured her eight grandchildren Zachary, Matthew, and Samantha Zavadil; Mitchell (Kennedi) and Jake Foster; Alvin, Abigail, and Adeline Zavadil. She is also survived by sister Juanita Cheesebrough. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Wesley Brosh and Stanley Brosh, and sister Elaine Bennett.



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*I read of a man who stood to speak
at the funeral of a friend
He referred to the dates on the tombstone
from the beginning...to the end.*

*He noted that first came the date of birth
and spoke the following date with tears,
but he said what mattered most of all
was the dash between those years.*

*For that dash represents all the time
that they spent alive on earth.
And now only those who loved them
know what that little line is worth.*

*For it matters not, how much we own --
the cars...the house...the cash.
What matters is how we live and love
and how we spend our dash.*

*So, think about this long and hard.
Are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left
that can still be rearranged.*

*If we could just slow down enough
to consider what's true and real,
and always try to understand
the way other people feel.*

*And be less quick to anger
and show appreciation more,
and love the people in our lives
like we've never loved before.*

*If we treat each other with respect
and more often wear a smile,
remembering this special dash
might only last a little while.*

*So, when your eulogy is being read
with your life's actions to rehash,
would you be proud of the things they say
about how you spent YOUR dash?*

By Linda Ellis

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Memory

Estella Mary Zavadil

January 31, 1944 † November 27, 2023

Mass of Christian Burial

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Alexandria, Minnesota

Friday, December 1, 2023, 11:00 AM

Officiating

Father Matthew Kuhn

Musical Selections By

Abby & Ada Zavadil

Luke VanOverbeke

Janice Doebber

Pallbearers

Keith Brosh

Alvin Zavadil

Abby Zavadil

Ada Zavadil

Jake Foster

Mitch Foster

Honorary Pallbearers

Zachary Zavadil

Matthew Zavadil

Samantha Zavadil

Interment

Bohemian Independent Cemetery

Lake Mary Township, Minnesota

