



Our Mother

*You can only have one mother,
Patient kind and true;
No other friend in all the world,
Will be the same to you.
When other friends forsake you,
To mother you will return,
For all her loving kindness,
She asks nothing in return.
As we look upon her picture,
Sweet memories we recall,
Of a face so full of sunshine,
And a smile for one and all.
Sweet Jesus, take this message,
To our dear mother up above;
Tell her how we miss her,
And give her all our love.*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Florence Kjenstad



WHO WAS BORN

September 23, 1924
Stevens County, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

August 10, 2024
Morris, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Thursday, August 15, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.
Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Morris, Minnesota

CELEBRANT

Father Todd Schneider

MUSICIANS

Linda Hodgson, Organist
Ken Hodgson, Vocalist

CASKET BEARERS

Florence's Beloved Family

HONORARY BEARERS

Richard Kjenstad | Allen Kjenstad | Rob Kjenstad
Michael Kjenstad | Audrey Sieben | Marie Simonson

INTERMENT

Calvary Cemetery
Stevens County, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Florence's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the interment, please join the family for lunch and fellowship at the church dining hall.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Mundwiler & Larson Funeral Home - Ortonville, Minnesota

Florence was born in rural Stevens County, Minnesota on September 23, 1924, to Cornelius and Lena Ring. She began her early education at District 33 School and later graduated in Morris. On December 20, 1943, Florence married Herbert Kjenstad to whom she shared her life, and they were blessed with six children.

Florence and Herb shared a passion for dancing. Throughout their marriage they could always be seen on the dance floor at a niece or nephew's wedding or just a Saturday night at the American Legion. To watch them dance a waltz was pure magic!

While raising their children and keeping an immaculate house, she started a house cleaning business. She enjoyed the work and became good friends with the people she worked for. Later in life, she dedicated her time volunteering at the Morris Senior Nutrition Center, where she and Herb had spent many joyful years sharing meals and playing cards with friends.

Florence was a woman of remarkable strength and independence, living in her own home until the ripe old age of 96. She has always enjoyed celebrating her birthday and this year would have a big one! Her later years were spent at West Wind Village, where she found joy and companionship in playing bingo and feeling at home in the caring community.

A lifelong member of the Assumption Catholic Church, the American Legion Auxiliary and the VFW Auxiliary. Her faith and commitment to service were guiding principles throughout her life.

Florence leaves behind a legacy of love and resilience. She will be deeply missed by her family, friends and all who had the privilege of knowing her.

She is survived by 4 sons: Richard (Carol), Alan, Robert (Lola), and Michael; 2 daughters: Audrey (Andy), Marie (Mark); 10 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; 10 great-great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews, some of which have always, lovingly called her "Mrs. Kjenstad". Preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Herb; sisters: Catherin Kellen, Bernice Brandt; brother, Raymond Ring; grandson, great-grandson; sisters-in-law; and brothers-in-law.

Rest easy Florence. Save us a dance when we see you again.

