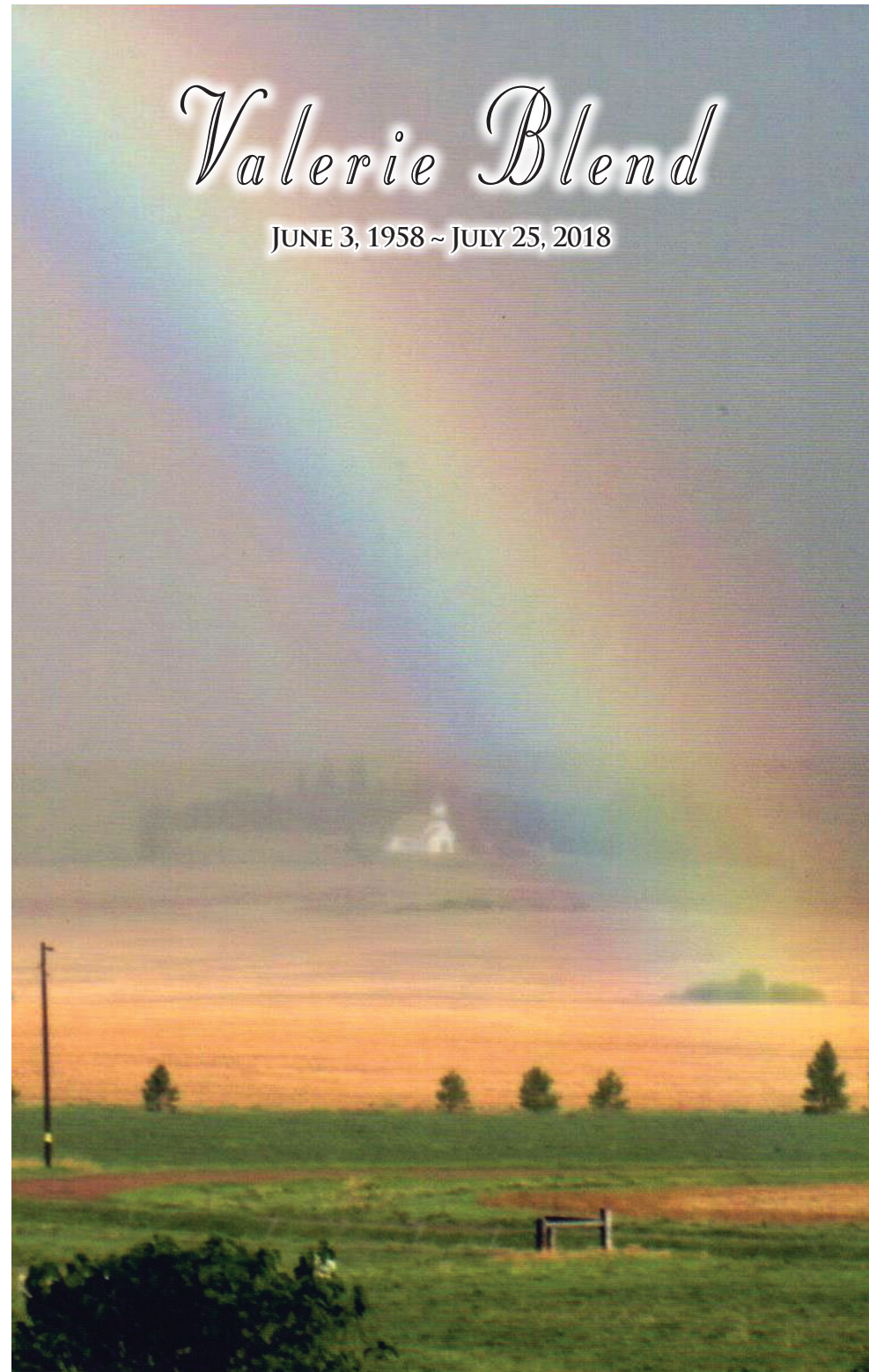




Years From Now

*... it will not matter what kind of car I drove,
what kind of house I lived in,
how much money I had in my bank account,
nor what my clothes looked like.
But the world may be a little better
because I was important in the life of a child.*

~ Margaret Fishback Powers ~





Valerie Blend, 60, New Salem, died July 25, 2018 at her home.

Valerie was born June 3, 1958, in Bismarck to Edgar and Esther (Wolf) Hoesel. Raised on a farm south of New Salem, Valerie graduated from New Salem High School and went on to attend Bismarck Junior College. On October 20, 1978, she married Bruce Blend at Peace Church in New Salem. They made their home on a farm south east of New Salem where they raised

their three children. Val and Bruce worked together farming and ranching. Val was a loving and giving person and her grand kids were her pride and joy. She loved seeing wildlife out her back window and bird watching, especially blue jays. Val was a wonderful cook and always took care of others before herself. A caring and dedicated wife, mom, and grandma, Val will be missed by those who knew and loved her.

Blessed to have shared her life is her husband of 39 years, Bruce Blend, New Salem; three children, Toby (Tessa) Blend, New Salem, Justin (Jessica) Blend, New Salem, and Shila (Ben) Thorson, Mandan; 12 grandchildren, William, Christian, Cloe, Daniel, Lucy, Johnny, Jamie, Lillian, Susan, Grace, Sophie, and Calvin; her parents, Edgar and Esther Hoesel, New Salem; one sister, Cherie (Stephen) Nicolai, Milnor; three brothers, Keith (Roberta) Hoesel, New Salem, Mike (JoAnn) Hoesel, Mandan, and David (Susan) Hoesel, Dickinson; sister-in-law, Wanda (Glen) Lennick, New Salem; and brother-in-law, Wade (Mari Jo) Blend, Mandan.

Val was preceded in death by her father and mother-in-law, John and Erna Blend.

Please go to www.BuehlerLarson.com to share memories of Val.

Funeral Service

Tuesday, July 31, 2018; 11:00 AM

Peach Church

New Salem, North Dakota

Rev. Joshua Eddy

Michelle Kaelberer

Officiant

Musician

Casketbearers

Stephen Nicolai, Keith Hoesel, Mike Hoesel
Dave Hoesel, Joel Baumgarten, & Mike Renner

Celebrating the Life of Valerie Blend

Prelude

Announcements

Call to Worship

*Hymn

“In the Garden” #588

Invocation

Reading of the Obituary

Prayer

Valerie’s Favorite Scriptures

Galatians 6:9-10 & John 7:37-39

Sermon Scripture

Proverbs 3:5-6

Sermon

“Making Sense Out of Death!”

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord’s Prayer (debts)

*Hymn

“For Those Tears I Died” #436

Commendation

Benediction

Recessional CD Music

“When I Get Where I’m Going”

Postlude

The family invites you for lunch and fellowship

immediately following the funeral service.

Committal will take place at Bethel Cemetery at 1:30 PM.