

Lucille Holmly Gould was born April 4, 1929, in Rolette, ND to Fred and Elizabeth (Johnson) Kensing, youngest child in a family of 2 brothers and a sister.

She had an active childhood which involved riding horse, working on farms, playing trumpet, reading voraciously, drawing, and enjoying school. Lucille graduated from Rolette, ND high school at 16.

She married Wendall Holmly when 17, August 15, 1946 and immediately started a family.

Despite some health challenges she threw herself into being a very resourceful and accomplished wife and mother. She sewed clothes for the children, gardened and canned, cooked and baked, volunteered as a Scout leader, worked on church committees, refinished furniture, taught herself to play the organ, learned to paint, and do a wide assortment of crafts. Wendall grew to rely on Lucille for her bookkeeping skills and she assumed that role in all their business ventures. She was also a faithful correspondent, writing to family and friends constantly.

Lucille and Wendall lived and worked in rural ND until Wendall became a grain elevator (Peavy) manager in Easby, ND in 1954, then in Mohall, ND, 1960-1970. In 1970, Lucille and Wendall bought the Tastee Freeze drive-in in Breckenridge, MN. It was a gamble, but they made it work and prosper. They sold it after 5 years, bought a small motorhome and started their love of travelling around the country to see the sights and visit friends. They weren't through with business as they next bought the Hardware Hank store in Wahpeton and again built up the business over 5 years. They then retired to travel and enjoy their grandchildren. In 1985 they moved to the Park Rapids area. In 1987 Wendall passed away. Lucille moved to Moorhead, MN, where she started beautician school in March 1988 and completed her training in Feb. 1989

On June 24, 1988, Lucille married Marlo Gould and moved to Breckenridge, MN. In May, 1989, Lucille and Marlo purchased Dream Away Bay resort near Park Rapids and ran it for 4 years. They sold the resort in March 1994 and moved to Park Rapids. They enjoyed many winter travel trips to Arizona, Texas, and the western states in motorhome and travel trailers. In 1998 they purchased a winter home in Tucson Estates. Lucille and Marlo moved to Lake Park, MN in 2002, and sold their home in Tucson estates. They moved to Fargo, ND in 2011.

In June 2020, Lucille was admitted to a care facility from Sanford Hospital, first in Bethany in Fargo, then Heritage Estates in Lidgerwood, ND, then briefly to Leach Home in Wahpeton before moving on to the Wahpeton Benedictine Living Community, December 23, 2020. Lucille survived 3 bouts of breast cancer, the last in 2001-2 (radiation and chemo), Lucille was 73 when she finished treatments.

Lucille leaves behind her husband Marlo Gould, children; Roberta Louise Zick, Susan Lucille Vivatson (Robert), James Lee (Sharlene), Fred Wendell (Christine Olson), and Wendy Lou Boyer. She is also survived by 15 Grandchildren and 15 Great-Grandchildren.

Lucille was preceded in death by her husband Wendall, her parents and siblings.



When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you
for a little while,
Please do not grieve
and shed wild tears,
And hug your sorrow
To you through the years,
But start out bravely
With a gallant smile;
And for my sake
And in my name
Live on and do
All the things the same.
Feed not your
Loneliness on empty days,
But fill each waking hour
In useful ways,
Reach out your hand
In comfort and cheer
And I in turn will comfort you
And hold you near,
And never, never
be afraid to die,

For I am waiting in the sky.



In Loving Memory of

Lucille Holmly Gould



Born

April 4, 1929
Rolette, North Dakota

Passed Away

June 16, 2024
Wahpeton, North Dakota

Age

95 Years

Family Service

1:00 PM
Saturday July 6, 2024
Valle Lutheran Church | Rolette, North Dakota

Interment

Ox Creek Cemetery | Rolette, North Dakota