

# *In Loving Memory*

*A beautiful life came to an end,*

*She died as she lived, everyone's friend.*

*In our hearts a memory will always be kept,*

*Of one we loved, and will never forget.*



**Buehler-Larson**  
Funeral and Cremation Service





**Grace Mork**, 103, passed peacefully in Mandan, ND on December 29, 2018.

Grace Ellen (Hammarstedt) Mork was born May 12, 1915, and grew up near the town of Brisbane, formerly located 10 miles southeast of Carson, ND. She was the daughter of Edwin Hammarstedt who immigrated from Urshult, Sweden in 1903 and his wife, Ida Franzen, who immigrated from Vaxjo, Sweden in 1900. Grace's parents were great advocates of education and Grace was proud to have graduated 1st in her high school class in 1933. She went on to complete her university degree, a rare occurrence for women at the time, graduating from NDSU in Nutrition and Home Economics in 1944. She did her practice teaching in Dickinson and earned her high

school teaching certificate for Basic Sciences and Home Economics. Grace worked in Grant County and Morton County Welfare Services, and later managed the Expanded Nutrition program for Morton County Extension Service. Grace has always been interested in sports starting in high school where she lettered and was a part of the Grant County championship basketball team. Over the years, she was a fan of the Mandan football, basketball, and swim teams, the Minnesota Twins, and especially NDSU Bison football.

Grace met Andy Mork on August 13, 1944, and they were married on November 12, 1945. Over the next years, together they built their home, farm, and family of 5 children. Grace had many passions. She and Andy shared a common interest in politics and local improvements including the Harmon Lake Project. She loved reading biographies and playing rag-time piano. She was a talented gardener and perfected many canning and freezing techniques. She was a great cook but loved baking bread and pies the most. She was a knitter and mender, and she enjoyed being involved with Homemakers Club and the Rock Haven 4-H Club. Her favorite place was on the bench at her kitchen table by the windows, visiting with her kids, grandkids, friends, and neighbors over coffee and news.

Grace is survived by her son, Charles (Sarah), Mandan, and their children, Andrew, Heidi (Nathan) Steinle, and Tim (Calle); her son, Douglas (Joanie), Bismarck, and their children, Erik (Rebecca), Jennie, Jeana (Jon) Youness, and Julie (Patrick) Tobkin; her daughter, Jean Mork Bredeson (Glen Robertson), Minneapolis, and their children, Shawn, Jennifer (Rory) O'Leary, Heather, Allen (Erica), Drew (Heather), and Grace (Ben) Hinton; her son, Bruce (Mildrid Selsjord), Houghton, Michigan, and their children Nora and Olav; and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Andy in 2010; her beloved daughter, Joanne Grace in 1967; her parents; her older brother, Robert, who died as an infant; and her brother, Roy, in 2008.

*In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to First Lutheran Church of Mandan or the Harmon Lake Project.*

*Please go to [www.BuehlerLarson.com](http://www.BuehlerLarson.com) to share memories of Grace.*

## **Celebration of Life Service**

Saturday, May 11, 2019; 11:00 AM

First Lutheran Church  
Mandan, North Dakota

Rev. Christina Martin

Loretta White

Chuck Suchy

Grace's Grandchildren

**Officiant**

**Organist**

**Special Music**

**Honorary Casketbearers**

### **Celebrating the Life of Grace Mork**

Gathering

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Thanksgiving for Baptism

Hymn

“Beautiful Savior” ELW 838

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

Reading

Psalms 121

Reading

Revelation 21:1-7

Reading

John 14:1-6, 27

Special Music

Funeral Message

Special Music

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Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Hymn

“Amazing Grace” ELW 779

***Committal will be at Mandan Union Cemetery immediately following the funeral service.***

***The family invites you for lunch and fellowship at the church following the burial service.***