

Lois Ann Moen

Lois was born to Arnold and Julia (Gaukler) Reinke August 23, 1934 on the family farm in Belford Township outside of Mantador, the third of five daughters. She told with pride that she learned the value of hard work as a young girl responsible for separating milk, cleaning chickens, caring for her younger siblings, and cooking for her family while the older sisters worked in the field and cared for the animals.

She graduated from Hankinson High School and then moved to Wahpeton where she met and married Edward Moen Jr. on June 9, 1956. God blessed their 64-year union with four children, a love for farming, keen interest in politics, and many summers at South Turtle and Ottertail lakes. Lois and Eddie traveled to all 50 states, cruised Alaska, and enjoyed a heritage trip to Norway. They visited son Mark in Panama and other locations while he was in the military and spent numerous seasons tailgating in support of the Fighting Sioux.

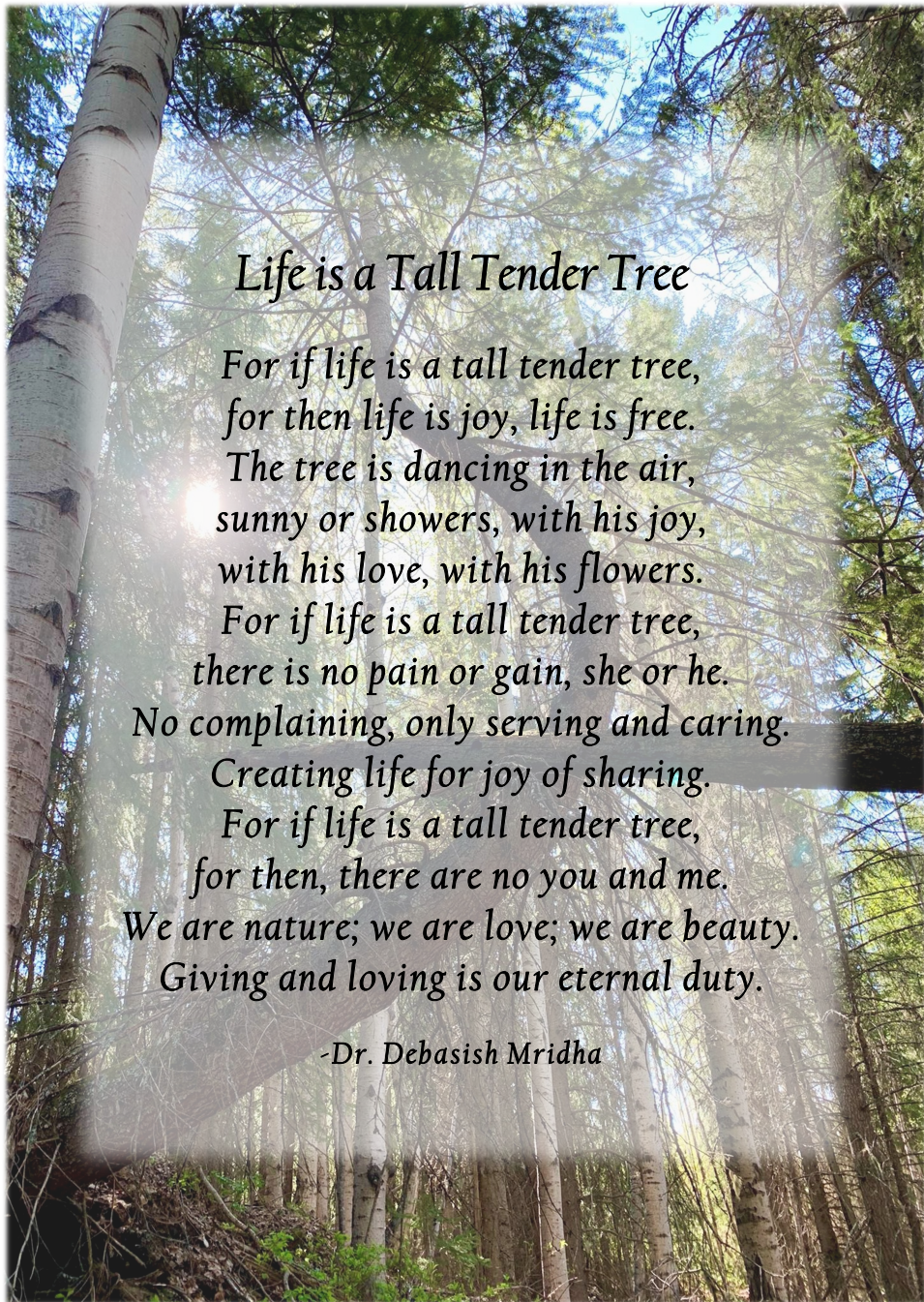
Anyone who knew Lois appreciated her spirited energy and creativity. She was a wonderful cook, an excellent bowler and enjoyed woodworking and gardening. She and her sister-in-law had a successful wood craft business. Lois loved flowers; spent winter months germinating seeds in her greenhouse and long hours in the summer pulling weeds and tending beds. Lois was grateful to Eddie and the Moen ancestors to have a farm to make her own. She felt lucky and proud to assist in the farming operations; loved to soak in the sun on the mower in the summers and to make the farm beautiful with Christmas decorations in the winter.

Lois had an amazing talent and passion for painting; she was especially known for her rosemaling and continued to paint beautiful pieces until her last days. She enjoyed puzzles, lively conversations, and games with family and friends.

Lois is preceded in death by husband, Edward; son, Steven; sisters, Arlene Krump, Lucille Beyer Wasemiller, Cecilia Lenz; and sister-in-law, Margaret Wold.

She is survived by her children, Mark (Darlene) Moen, Janelle (Dana) Hermes, Michael (Twila) Moen, daughter-in-law, Vicki Moen; grandchildren, Kyle Moen, Ryan Moen, Anthony (Natasha) Hermes, Leva (Lee) Marvin, Aunna (Colby) Genoway, Hayden (Taylor) Blegen, Cody Blegen, Christopher Blegen, and Eric Moen; great-grandchildren, Charlie, Philip, Ruby, Joseph, Abigail, Houston; her sister, Renae Gable; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.





Life is a Tall Tender Tree

*For if life is a tall tender tree,
for then life is joy, life is free.*

*The tree is dancing in the air,
sunny or showers, with his joy,
with his love, with his flowers.*

*For if life is a tall tender tree,
there is no pain or gain, she or he.*

No complaining, only serving and caring.

Creating life for joy of sharing.

*For if life is a tall tender tree,
for then, there are no you and me.*

We are nature; we are love; we are beauty.

Giving and loving is our eternal duty.

-Dr. Debasish Mridha

*The family invites you to join them in the “woodshop” at the Moen farm
after the service for a Celebration of Lois’s Life.*

Vertin-Munson Funeral Home - Wahpeton, ND
Funeral Directors: Dustin Turner, Whitney Demarais and Shanna Grumbles | www.vertinmunson.com



Funeral Service

10:30 am - Friday, January 20, 2023
Galchutt Lutheran Church
Galchutt, North Dakota

Age

88 Years 4 Months 21 Days

Officiant

Pastor Janelle Hansen

Music

“Jealous of the Angels”

“Amazing Grace”

“How Great Thou Art”

Honorary Pallbearers

Ryan Moen - Kyle Moen - Anthony Hermes - Hayden Blegen
Cody Blegen - Chris Blegen - Eric Moen

Interment

St. John’s Cemetery
Rural Galchutt, North Dakota



The family has chosen a special rosemaling piece to hold Lois’s remains.
The piece was a favorite of her and Eddie’s due to the Norwegian
writing illustrated around the mid-center.

It translates as follows -

*“I wish you flowers and sunshine on your way
with luck and happiness for you.”*