

Mardell Gladys (Knutson) Nehk, daughter of Emmons and Evelyn (Nelson) Knutson, was born on October 14, 1937 on her grandparents' Nelson farm near Oakes, ND. Mardell grew up on a farm until first grade when the family moved into Oakes. In 1953 her family moved to Elizabeth, MN. Mardell attended and graduated from Fergus Falls senior high school in 1956. On February 3, 1957, Mardell married Louis Nehk Jr. In June of 1958 they moved to Alexandria because Louie got a job at a beer distributorship. They purchased land and moved there in 1963. Three children were born to them: Debbra, Darvin, and Darrel. They also raised a grandson, Christopher.

Mardell worked at Glenwood spring water plant, The Hideout, and then at Pete's Super Value for 12 years. In April of 1980, Mardell started work at Alexandria Extrusion until her retirement in April 2001.

Mardell loved to travel and took a trip to New Orleans for jazz fest when she retired. She also went to Boston, Palm Springs, Canada and Las Vegas.

Mardell enjoyed going to the casino on the bus and visiting with friends. She did a lot of jigsaw puzzles as well as crossword puzzles.

Mardell is survived by her husband of 66 years, Louis; children, Debbra (Larry) of Fargo, Darvin (Natalie) of Pelican Rapids, Darrel (Leslie) of Hoffman, and special grandson, Chris (Krista) of Willmar. Mardell also leaves behind five other grandchildren, Jason (Danielle) Lybeck, Lisa Nyberg, Travis Nehk, Kayla Nehk and Corey Nehk; 13 great-grandchildren, Jordan Nehk, Jacob (Kasey) Nehk, Jaden Nehk, Ashton Krog, Liberty Jans, Pyper Jans, Cade Lybeck, Alexandra Lybeck, Jameison Meinen, Sierra Melcher, Nathen Lybeck, Ryker Nehk and Dierkes Nehk; as well as two great-great-grandchildren, Avery Nehk and Kash Nehk.

Mardell is preceded in death by her parents, Emmons and Evelyn; brother, Larry Knutson; great-grandson, Tanner Lybeck; and several brothers- and sisters-in-law.

In Loving Memory



Mardell G. Nehk
1937 ~ 2023

The Day God Called You Home

*God looked around His garden
and found an empty space.
Then He looked down upon the earth
and saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you,
lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
for He only takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering.
He knew you were in pain.
He saw the road was getting rough,
and the hills were hard to climb.
So He closed your weary eyes,
and whispered, "Peace be thine".
It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.*

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Memory

Mardell G. Nehk

October 14, 1937



February 22, 2023

FUNERAL SERVICE

Shalom Lutheran Church
Alexandria, Minnesota
Wednesday, March 1, 2023
11:00 AM

OFFICIANT

Pastor David Fleener

MUSICIAN

Krista Jans

CASKET BEARERS

Jason Lybeck	Jordan Nehk
Travis Nehk	Jacob Nehk
Corey Nehk	Cade Lybeck

INTERMENT

Kinkead Cemetery
Alexandria, Minnesota