



# In Loving

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The LORD is my *Shepherd;*  
I shall not want.

He maketh me to  
lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters,  
He restoreth my  
*soul.*

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the  
valley of the shadow of death.

*I will fear no evil:*  
*for Thou art with me;*

Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over  
Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house  
of the LORD *forever.*  
- Psalm 23



## Norma Lucille Nordmark

July 4, 1934 — May 31, 2020

**N**orma was born on July 4, 1934, to Ida and Albert Vikan at rural Bottineau, ND. She attended grade school at Vinje 45 and furthered her education at Bottineau High School, graduating as valedictorian of her class in 1952.

In 1953, she started nurses training at St. Andrews School of Nursing. In 1954, she married Marlin Nordmark. They lived in Bottineau where Marlin operated Westland Oil Service Station. Norma's love for nursing urged her to return to nurses training, which she attended until illness forced her to quit.

In 1956, Norma and Marlin moved to Mohall, ND, where they operated another propane business for Westland Oil. Norma kept the books and was the office manager of this successful business for 28 years. It was during his time that Marlin trained with the 77th Special Forces of the U.S. Army at Fort Bragg, NC, and served in Germany. His brother, Jim, and Norma managed the propane business. She helped farm during Marlin's overseas tour and continued helping after his return home. Norma also worked at the Renville County ASCS and the Renville County Soil Conservation Service.

In Mohall, Norma was an active member of Zion Lutheran Church, teaching Sunday school and summer vacation Bible School. She also participated in Bible studies and circles. She served as secretary for Zion Lutheran Church Ladies Aid.

In Minot, Norma taught Sunday school and vacation Bible school for several years and was treasurer of St. Mark's Lutheran Women's Missionary League. When Marlin was elected secretary of the North Dakota LP Gas Association, Norma served as secretary, which was her role most of the time in Mohall, where she assisted Marlin's bookkeeper and office manager for the propane business before the age of computers. Many high school girls assisted as part of the work-study program at Mohall Public School.

Norma and Marlin welcomed two foster children (sisters) into their home in 1966. Connie (12) and Debbie (8) Kotzer, became part of their family.

Norma and Marlin divorced in 1985. Norma then moved to Minot and studied at Minot State College, graduating with her BS in General Studies at the age of 77. She then moved to Twin Town Villa in Breckenridge, MN, to be closer to Debbie and Connie, who lived in Wahpeton.

She became a resident of St. Francis Home in 2012, where she continued to recover from a stroke that occurred during a craniotomy in 1974.

In her younger days, Norma liked to garden and cook, though reading historical and romance novels were always her favorite past time. She also enjoyed writing letters and studying history. Above all, Norma loved spending time with her family and friends, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Norma will be greatly missed by her daughters, Debbie (Glenn) Johnson of Fargo, ND, and Connie (Tim) Vosberg of Lake, SD; six grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Ida Vikan; sisters, Ina Oelshlager, Phyllis Nelson, and Audrey Woods; brothers, Victor Kenneth, Harry, and Harlen Vikan; and ex-husband, Marlin Nordmark.

# *In Loving Memory*

## *Norma Lucille Nordmark*



Born: July 4, 1934 ~ Bottineau, North Dakota

Died: May 31, 2020 ~ Fargo, North Dakota

### **FUNERAL SERVICE**

Joseph Vertin and Sons Funeral Home

Breckenridge, Minnesota

10:00 a.m., Friday, June 5, 2020

### **PARTICIPANTS**

Pastor Mark Manning

### **PALLBEARERS**

Glenn Johnson ~ Corey Eslinger ~ Bryan Aasen

David Eslinger ~ Greg Johnson

### **MUSIC**

Amazing Grace ~ Go Rest High On That Mountain

### **INTERMENT**

Landa Cemetery ~ Landa, North Dakota

*The family wishes to express their gratitude for your kind expressions of sympathy and for honoring Norma's life with us during this time.*