

Virginia (Mentele) Korkowski was born on July 1, 1931, in Howard, South Dakota to Peter and Bertha (Sherman) Mentele. While she was still very young, the family moved to Minnesota, settling near Long Prairie. She graduated in 1949 from Long Prairie High School and began working at the Production Credit Association in Alexandria. After 1 year, she took a new position at the Runestone Electric Association, eventually becoming the head cashier. During these years, she enjoyed playing softball, roller skating and road trips with her Chevy. On June 4, 1956, she married Jack Korkowski and moved to the family farm near Brandon. Virginia loved growing flowers, sewing and other crafts. She worked side by side with Jack and they ran a successful farm. She was active at St. Ann's Church teaching CCD, involved with the Christian Mothers, supplying her beautiful flowers, working on the funeral luncheon committee, and many other items that came up. Virginia was known for her good sense of humor-even up to the end.

Virginia passed away on February 19, 2020, surrounded by family after a courageous 20 month battle with pancreatic cancer. She is survived by daughter, Mary (Gary) Lindert of Rosemount, MN; son, Scott Korkowski of Brandon, MN; grandsons, Eric (Terri) Lindert of Abingdon, MD and Brett (Jamie) Lindert of St. Louis Park, MN; and great grandchildren, Tanner, Hazel, and Beckett; sister, Georgie Hoirup of Bismarck, ND; brother, Terry Mentele of Long Prairie, MN; as well as many nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her husband, Jack; and brother, Don Mentele.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society.

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.*

In Memory of **Virginia Korkowski**

July 1, 1931



February 19, 2020

Mass Of Christian Burial
St. Ann's Catholic Church
Brandon, Minnesota
Thursday, February 27, 2020
10:30 AM



Officiant

Reverend Peter Vander Weyst

Organist

Bethany Hellem

Casket Bearers

Eric Lindert	Brett Lindert
Todd Mentele	Tom Mentele
Tony Mentele	Nick Thoennes

Honorary Casket Bearers

Tanner Lindert	Hazel Lindert
Beckett Lindert	

Interment

St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery
Brandon, Minnesota