

Remembering the life of...



Maxine M. Erickstad, of Starkweather ND passed away on Friday, December 15, 2023 at the age of 88.

Maxine Margaret was born on January 15, 1935 in East Grand Forks, Minnesota, the daughter of Max and Florence (Haggarty) Griggs. she attended Reynolds High School and graduated with the class of 1953. After high school Maxine continued her education and became a Registered Nurse.

After becoming an RN, Maxine worked as a nurse in North Dakota for a few years before moving to Santa Monica, California where she worked in the Pediatric Department at St. John's Hospital for 8 years.

Maxine returned to North Dakota and on October 5, 1963, she was united in marriage to Robert "Bob" Erickstad in Reynolds, ND. They established their home in Starkweather where they lived, worked, and raised their family. Robert and Maxine were married for 41 years until Robert's passing in May of 2005.

Maxine was a member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Assumption of Mary Catholic Church and the Altar Society through the years.

Maxine liked to spend time sitting on her deck watching the birds and enjoying nature, reading, doing crossword puzzles and spending time with her grandchildren.

Maxine is survived by her loving family; her sons Craig Erickstad, Fargo ND, Kevin Erickstad, Devils Lake, Gary Erickstad, Starkweather, Jason Erickstad, Pelican Rapids, MN; daughters Renae Braaten and husband Kyle, Summerfield, Florida and Terri Schuler and husband Gary, Cando ND; granddaughters Halle Schuler and Natalie Braaten; grandson Brady Schuler; sister Patricia Griggs, East Grand Forks MN; sister-in-law Ellen Griggs, Grand Forks ND; many beloved nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Robert, brothers Lew Griggs and his wife Pat and Larry Griggs, sister Rosemary and her husband Donald Wold.



In Loving Memory



*Forever Loved, Forever In Our Hearts
Loving Wife, Mother, Grandmother,
Sister, Cousin, and Friend*

Maxine Margaret Erickstad

*Tuesday, January 15, 1935
East Grand Forks, Minnesota*

HER DEATH

*Friday, December 15, 2023
Devils Lake, North Dakota*

ROSARY AND SCRIPTURE SERVICE
Gilbertson Funeral Home Chapel

Thursday, December 21, 2023 ~ 5:00 p.m.

Rosary led by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas
MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church
Starkweather, North Dakota

Friday, December 22, 2023 ~ 10:30 a.m.

CELEBRANT

Reverend Mathew Pamplaniyil

MUSIC

Congregational Hymns

Candy Haus, Pianist

LECTOR

Mary Wold

CASKET BEARERS

Brady Schuler ~ Gary Schuler

Mark Wold ~ Keith Erickstad

EUCCHARISTIC GIFT BEARERS

Brady Schuler and Halle Schuler

EARTHLY PLACE OF REST

Assumption of Mary Cemetery

Rural Starkweather, North Dakota

God Called

**God looked around His garden,
And He found an empty place.
He then looked down upon this earth,
And saw your tired face.**

**He put His arms around you
And lifted you to rest.**

**God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.**

**He knew that you were suffering
He knew you were in pain.**

**He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.**

**He saw that the road was getting rough
And the hills are hard to climb.
So He closed your weary eyelids,
And whispered, "Peace Be Thine"**

**It broke our heart to lose you
But you didn't go alone.**

**For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.**