



Your Mother is Always with You.

She is the whisper of the leaves as you walk down the street.

She is the smell of certain foods you remember.

She is the flowers you pick.

She is the smell of that special perfume she wore.

She is the cool hand on your brow when you're not feeling well.

She is your breath in the air on a cold winter's day.

She is the sound of the rain that lulls you to sleep.

She is the colors of a rainbow.

She is Christmas morning.

Your Mother lives inside your laughter, and she is crystallized in every tear drop.

A Mother shows every emotion- happiness, sadness, fear, jealousy, love, hate, anger, helplessness, excitement, joy, sorrow, and all the while, hoping and praying you will only know the good feelings in life.

She's the place you came from, your first home, she's the map you follow with every step you take.

She is the one you run to when you are scared.

Her arms are always open to hold you and console you.

She's your first love, your first friend, even your first enemy, but nothing on earth can separate you. Not time, not space, not even death!

MAY WE NEVER TAKE YOU, MOTHER, FOR GRANTED!

Irma M. Erickson

December 7, 1917, White Ash Township, ND

January 18, 2010, Minot, ND

Funeral Service

Saturday, January 23, 2010, 11 am

Carpio Lutheran Church, Carpio, ND

Officiant

Rev. Kevin Beard

Placing of the Pall

Irma's Children

Music

Congregational hymn "Amazing Grace"

Jodi Bock, vocalist to offer special music "This World Is Not My Home"

Rev. Kevin Beard, guitarist to offer: "This Is The Day"

Congregational hymn "In The Garden"

Congregational hymn "How Great Thou Art"

Colleen Peterson, organist

Honorary Bearers

Irma's Great-Grandchildren

Active Bearers

Irma's Grandchildren

Following the funeral service there will be lunch and fellowship at the church.

Those wishing to attend the graveside service are asked to meet at the cemetery at 2 pm. There will be no formal procession.

Those Who Shared In Her Life:

Son: Alan (Judy) Erickson, Minot; **Daughters:** Deneen LeRoy, Oceanside, CA, Janice (Dennis Linnertz) Fiedler, Minot, Jackie (Ed) Rieger, Winter Haven, FL, Glenda (Raymond) Quick, Fort Benton, MT, Cindy (Darrell) Leines, Plymouth, MN; **Grandchildren:** Todd (Tammy) Erickson, Trent (Susan) Erickson, McKay Erickson, Matthew (Brenda) LeRoy, Whitney (Gary) Johnson, Barry (Holly) Fiedler, Dana Fiedler, Courtney (Scott) Linkous, Bryce (Meredith) Rieger, Rebecca (Gary) Howorka, Chelsea (Jonathan) Janke, and Chad Leines, and fifteen great-grandchildren. **Sister-in-law** Vivian Erickson, Minot, **Sisters:** Betty West, Woodburn, OR and JoAnn (Aime) Cote, Missoula, MT, **Brother** Jim Johnson, Blaine, WA; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Irma was preceded in death by her parents, husband Clifford, two sons-in-law Carl LeRoy and Larry Fiedler, one grandchild Tracy Erickson, and sister Mary Lou Halligan, and brother Kenneth Johnson.

Burial

Sunset Memorial Gardens, Minot

The Erickson family would like to thank the staff and residents of Edgewood Vista for making Irma's last years so happy. May God bless the memory of Irma! May each of you have her faith and carry on her spirit of thankfulness and giving.

Thompson-Larson Funeral Home, Minot