



Arlene Hedstrom

November 6, 1950 - July 4, 2009

Arlene M. Hedstrom, 58, Bismarck, passed away peacefully at her home on July 4, 2009, after a long, courageous battle with cancer. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at 1:00 PM at Trinity Lutheran Church in Bismarck with Rev. Paul Schauer officiating. Burial will be at St. Hildegard's Cemetery in Menoken. Visitation will be Monday from 2:00 – 9:00 PM at Eastgate Funeral Service in Bismarck where a prayer service will be held at 7:00 PM. Visitation will continue on Tuesday, one hour prior to the service at the church. Arlene was born on November 6, 1950, in Bismarck, ND, the third daughter of Matt and Helen Dietrich. She was raised on the family farm south of Bismarck. Arlene attended grade school at Telfer Country School, graduated from Bismarck High School in 1968, and went on to receive her nursing degree from Mary College in 1972. On December 29, 1971, she married the love of her life, Curtis B. Hedstrom of Regan at St. Hildegard's Catholic Church in Menoken. They began their life together farming near Regan until 1986 when they moved to Bismarck. Arlene's 30-year nursing career began at Medcenter One working in ICU; and she continued on as one of the initial staff of the Medcenter Dialysis Unit. Arlene eventually transferred to Medcenter One's satellite dialysis unit in Fort Yates where she worked until retiring due to her illness. Arlene enjoyed knitting, cross stitching, and doing cross-word puzzles. She had a passion for fishing and camping with Curt, enjoying her biggest Catch-of-the-day competitions. Her beautiful spirit and contagious laugh will be missed by all who knew her. Arlene is survived by her husband

of 37 years, Curtis of Bismarck; her two children, Becky Meager of Bismarck, and Chuck Hedstrom of Bismarck; her granddaughter, Kaitlyn Meager of Bismarck; her mother, Helen Dietrich of Bismarck; five sisters, Patricia Nate Osbourn of St. Joseph, MN, Kathleen Richard Triano of Sommerville, NJ, Loretta Dennis Foss of Bismarck, JoAnn Paul Bender of Bismarck, and Meg Kevin Rath of Sterling; three brothers, Warren Brenda Dietrich, Joseph Linda Dietrich, and Leon Dietrich, all of Bismarck; one sister-in-law, Nancy Randy Sawicki of Wilton; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Matt Dietrich; her father-in-law, Boyd Hedstrom; and her mother-in-law, Rose Sperry.

Tribute Wall

JM

“ I never met Arlene, but have heard such nice things about her and know she will be truly missed. Mom Lenora Juhala and I want Curt and the rest of the family to know that you have our sympathy and prayers during this difficult time. Janice & Lenora

Janice Juhala Marko - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ All the years I have known Arlene somethings never changed, her smile, laughter and obvious love for her family. She was an excellent nurse who cared deeply for her patients. She will be missed.

Karen Aune Wardner - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Arlene & I worked together for many, many years in the ICU @ Medcenter One. She was an outstanding, compassionate, hardworking nurse -- she will be deeply missed!

Deb Krein - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ We are so saddened by the news of Arlenes passing. She was a great lady. We will be thinking of you and our prayers are with you.

Jerry & Chloe Rasmussen - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CK

“Curt, Chuck, and Becky, I'll always remember Arlene as being very easy-going and generous. She never hesitated to set me a place at your table, where we had many laughs. I'm sorry she had to leave this world at such a young age. It doesn't seem right. Thinking of You and Her, Corey

Corey Kuntz - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“I will always treasure the times I've shared with Arlene growing up as cousins, she a farm girl & I a city girl. We enjoyed several fishing trips with Curt & Arlene. Even in the last couple of years as she battled cancer, anytime I called her we would both end up laughing...she was a special cousin to me & I will miss her dearly.

Sharon Hagemann - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RT

“Kelly and I would like to express our condolences to the family and extended families. We work with Leon and Rick had Matt as his student teacher a few years ago. Great people, great family. Rick and Kelly Tidd

Rick & Kelly Tidd - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PG

“I enjoyed working with Arlene for many years at Medcenter One and will miss her great jokes, laughter, friendship, common sense, and sharing stories of family and work experiences. She was a good person who lived a good life. She deserves the rewards that heaven has waiting for her.

Patty Gereszek - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KD

“Curt, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

Kerry Hedstrom Dean - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KR

“Dear Helen and family, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Arlene. I have fond memories of knowing her when I worked at Medcenter One and her spirit and that great laugh . She always had a smile on her face. She was always very kind and helpful. Sincerely, Kristi Ramsdell, RN your ex-neighbor

Kristi Ann Ramsdell - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM