



Beverly Lunn

February 14, 1929 - March 21, 2007

Beverly Jean Lunn, 78, Bismarck, died March 21, 2007 at home surrounded by her loving family and friends. Services will be held at 1:30 PM Sunday, March 25, at McCabe United Methodist Church in Bismarck with the Rev. Art Scanson officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be held from 5 - 7 PM Saturday, March 24, at Eastgate Funeral Service where a prayer service will be held at 7 PM. Bev was born on February 14, 1929, in Bismarck, the daughter of Joe and Ellen Bardsley Patera. Ellen passed away shortly after her birth and Bev was adopted by Eythel Hodges when she married Joe Patera. A few years later the family was complete with the birth of Bev's sister, Fayne. The family lived in Bismarck and Bev graduated from Bismarck High School in 1947. She was an accomplished pianist and an assistant organist at McCabe United Methodist Church. She graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in microbiology from North Dakota State University in 1951. She briefly moved and worked in New York City in an effort to convince her future husband, Kenny Lunn, that marriage was the only option. Bev and Kenny were married at McCabe United Methodist Church on December 29, 1951. She spent the next 44 years blissfully married to her soul mate. During the first 25 years, she very successfully raised four children: Jeff, Marnie, Dave, and Eric. She enjoyed family life tremendously, including her extended family, especially the times at their lake cabin. She loved her travels with Kenny and all the wonderful time spent with her seven grandchildren. She enjoyed her crossword puzzles and Saturday morning crossword telephone

visits with her good friend, Bebe Nygaard Lembke. She also took delight in her various bridge clubs where there were lots of socializing and some bridge playing. Bev especially cared for and appreciated her bridge mates and lots of special friends. Bev and her family so appreciated the fellowship and support by Chris and Steve Lunn, Joyce Vettel, Darlene Anagnost, Marg McLaughlin, Barb and Pinky Gilchrist, Karla and Gary Maddock, Lorna and Dennis Olson, Frankie Lunn, Joann Lunn, Paul Patera, and Tara Haberlock. Bev is survived by her children, Jeff Barb Lunn, Las Cruces, NM, Marnie Lunn, Fargo, ND, Dave Tracy Lunn, Mesa, AZ, and Eric Lunn, Grand Forks, ND; her sister, Fayne Rodney Bell, Lodi, CA; seven grandchildren, Megan, Joshua, Ryan, Joseph, Jordan, Leslie, and Whitney; one great-grandchild, Mira; numerous nieces and nephews; and many close friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Kenny; her granddaughter, Summer; her parents; her nephews, Gregory Bell and Gary Lunn; her brother-in-law, Wayne Lunn; and recently, by her daughter-in-law, Cynth Eric Lunn. In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials to Medcenter One Hospice, McCabe United Methodist Church, the Ronald McDonald House in Bismarck, or the Bismarck Public Library.

Tribute Wall

EF

“ Although age difference prevented me from getting to know Aunt Ethyl and Uncle Joe's two daughters, I always felt that the Patera family was somehow related to my own. That's how close our parents were. My sympathies especially to her sister. Edi

Edi Gerlach Falk - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ Eric, Marnie, Jeff and Dave, I just received a call from my wife, Donna, telling me she saw the notice in the obituary in our paper today. I knew from my phone call with Frankie on Sunday that your Mom had taken a turn for the worse but I did not think her death was that imminent. Donna and I want to pass on our condolences to you and yours in this time of sadness, but still remembering that Bev is in a much better place today. I fondly remember the Lunn gatherings back in Bismarck in all of our younger years and how your Mom was always there with a quick wit or comment. You had to be on your toes to get one up on her! And now in later years she became a good helper and sounding board for sister Frankie. Bev, Joann and Frankie had many good times together. We would have liked to have been in Bismarck for the services but that won't work this weekend. We did get to see you all at Cynth's funeral and I can only hope that the next time we all can gather it will be for a "Happy" occasion. Please accept our thoughts and prayers during your time of grieving. Mick and Donna Gillen

Mick Gillen - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Dear Lunn Family...My deepest sympathies on the loss of your mother. She will be greatly missed.When I was a child living with my grandparents next door, she was like a secondgrandmother to me. I will always remember her fondly - especially her friendship with my grandmother. My thoughts are with you.Melissa Turnbull

Melissa Turnbull - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ It's been many years, and the years I knew Bev were few, as it was when our kids attended Saxvik School. Bev was a wonderful friend and I enjoyed knowing her. OUr kids, Loren attended Saxvik 1957-61/62, and Colleen 1960-61/62. Then we moved across town by Northridge School, and to West Fargo in 8/63. Bev wrote me after we moved here and I had always wanted to visit with her again, but occasion didn't arise.I'm sorry for your loss, and pray God gives you the strength you need now and always.Arlene Franchuk

Arlene Mrs. Alex Franchuk - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ It has been several years since I have seen Bev but have heard many things through my parents, Dennis and Lorna Olson. All of my memories of Bev are filled with her joy of life and caring thoughtfulness. My thoughts are with her family as they celebrate her life and mourn her passing. Cheri Toomey

Cheri Toomey - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Jeff, Dave, Marnie, & Eric,I was saddened to learn of the passing of your Mom. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.David

David Hennings - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM