



Mickey Gray

August 9, 1929 - July 10, 2014

Mickey "Colleen" Gray, 84, Mandan, left a life of gasping for every breath to breathing the breath of Heaven on July 10, 2014. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 11:00 AM at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway, Bismarck, with Pastor Larry Jahnke officiating. Burial will be Wednesday at 4:00 PM at Rosehill Cemetery in Minot, ND. Visitation will be Tuesday from 6:00 – 7:00 PM at Parkway Funeral Service where a prayer service will begin at 7:00 PM. Visitation will continue on Wednesday one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Mickey was born on August 9, 1929, to Kenneth and Agnes Knutson in Wildrose, ND. She was born two months before the Great Depression began, so her family traveled a great deal to find work. This took them to many states. Mickey married Ted Gray on April 1, 1950, in Minot, ND. April Fools Day was the joke every anniversary. They had five children, four boys, Steve, Jeff, Kevin, and John, and one daughter, Paula. Steve died in 1995 of liver cancer. Mickey never recovered from the grief of losing her son. Her greatest joy was spending time with her children. She read furiously, sewed, knitted, and painted. Her water color art was a favorite gift to all of us. She was welcomed in Heaven by her son, Steve; her parents; two brothers; and her sister-in-law. Her humor and quick wit will be greatly missed by her husband, Ted, her brother, Kenny, her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Her cooking – not so much!! Love you mom, we will miss you forever and ever.

Tribute Wall

TL

“ I was so sad to hear of Mickey's passing. I so enjoyed working with her at Steenstrup's and then Rostad's Jewelers in Minot. I was only in high school when we started working together and she was one of a kind. I'll always remember her taking half of my candy bar and telling me "it was for my own good"!!! Oh how I loved that lady!!! Paula, Kevin and John, you are all in my thoughts and prayers.
Tracey Holtz-Liebler

Tracey Holtz Liebler - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ So sorry for your loss. Mickey was one of a kind, was a great employee for us when we had Rostad's Jewelers at Town & Country in Minot, was always dependable, fun and always good for a laugh. Mickey will be missed.

Evron & Marilyn Rostad - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ You won't have to miss her long, we can look forward to seeing her again soon when God will swallow up death forever. Isaiah 25:8
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Michael Marbury - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AE

“ Paula and family- I am sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Andra Erickson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Memories of Mickey make me smile, we were neighbors in Minot. My mom, Dorothy Nordstrom/Haberlock & Mickey had crazy fun together! It was just like watching the Lucy show..maybe better. I enjoyed seeing everyone at visitation & hearing all the stories, she will be missed so much! I did not realize how much Paula looked like her mother until I saw the video! I witnessed all the love the family has for each other, which is such a blessing & will help pull you through this difficult time. God Bless you all! Our Love, Steve & Pat Bennett & Dorothy

Pat Bennett - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ We are sorry we cannot be with you for the funeral. Melba is just not able to do much traveling or we would have driven her to Bismarck. You have our sympathies and thoughts and prayers. I talked to Mick last summer at the Mall. Ted, you had dropped her off so that she could look around and was resting in front of Herbergers when I came out of that store to meet Bruce. We talked briefly until we had to rush off to an appointment. Was fun to see her. Will always remember our visits with your family at Aggie & Kenneth's home. Sharon Jacobson Rosten - Wildrose.

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

JF

“ The memories of our days at Town and Country Center were the best. Mickey with her sense of humor and smile always entertained us all. The planning of our crazy Christmas exchanges. Winding down after long days during the holiday season at The Hub. And my daily visit to get you for coffee at Steensrup Jewelry ..what a great group of people we worked with at the center. And Mickey was a main part of them. Just sorry we hadn't seen each other in so long. God bless .. Heaven is receiving a gift and Mickey will be knitting something for everyone...Ted and family may all the great memories help you all thru the days to follow.

Janice Fiedler - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NL

“ Darwin and I send our sympathy on the loss of Mickey. I always remember her when I worked at Town and Country Walter's - she was always so upbeat and fun! We send our sympathy to all of you , but especially to our MHS classmate, Jeff. God bless.

Nancy Langseth - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ I loved Mickey like she was my Grandma, what a wonderful friend. I was her housekeeper each and every Monday morning, and doing so we became wonderful friends. I looked forward to my Mondays and spending time with her, I would do my cleaning but also would have time to have a cup of coffee and visit with her. I remember a time when she misplaced a pair of slacks, we looked everywhere for them, thought maybe the washer did eat them; but she called me at work one morning just to tell me she had found them under some others clothes in her drawer. She made my weeks complete with her smile, her company and her wonderful sense of humor. Love you always your friend Barb

Barb Schmitcke - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BK

“*Ted and family -Oh, how we will miss our friend "Mick". It was always good to visit and spend time together and enjoy our little glass of wine. May God bless all of your memories. She is now at peace.*

Bill & Marion Kolb - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM