



Beverly Joan Fossum

September 11, 1934 - May 16, 2019

Beverly Joan Fossum passed away peacefully on May 16, 2019 at The Pillars Home Hospice Care Center in Oakdale, Minnesota. She was 84 years old.

Beverly Joan Fossum was born to Albert and Ella Weihrauch on a farm south of Columbia on September 11, 1934. She was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church in Columbia, SD. She graduated from Columbia High School in 1952. She attended a technical college in Minneapolis, MN to become a lab technician.

She worked in Hazen, North Dakota and in Aberdeen, South Dakota as a Lab Technician. She also worked at Dakota Clinic in Fargo, North Dakota for several years.

She met Erwin Fossum while both were working in Aberdeen, South Dakota, and they were married on February 23, 1957 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Columbia, SD. They moved to Fargo in 1959, to Rochester, MN in 1968, and back to Fargo in 1969.

After raising her two daughters, Carol and Cathy, she returned to the workforce as a Mortgage Lender for State Bank of Fargo where she worked until retirement.

She enjoyed traveling to Arizona, spending time with her sisters, fishing, and taking road trips with Erwin on many adventures. She enjoyed knitting and made beautiful afghans for her grandchildren. She was a very talented seamstress as well. She was an amazing cook and her spaghetti sauce cannot be outdone (even with the recipe).

She is survived by; daughters, Carol (Scott Gardner) and Cathy (Paul Gjevre) both from Cottage Grove, MN; two granddaughters, Maddy Gardner (Cottage Grove, MN) and Sydney Gardner (Cottage Grove, MN) and one grandson, Jake Gjevre (Mankato, MN); two sisters, Norma Dennert (Don Dennert) from Aberdeen, SD and Joan Conkling, (York, NE); one sister-in-law, Hazel (John Badgely) of Mobridge, SD; 8 nephews, and 3 nieces. She is preceded in death by two daughters, Paula Kay, and one stillborn; her parents, sister, Carol, and her husband, Erwin Fossum.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred.

Cemetery

Fargo National Cemetery

8713 40th Ave. N.

Harwood, ND, 58042

Events

MAY **Visitation** 12:00PM - 01:00PM

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Olivet Lutheran Church

1330 S. University Drive, Fargo, ND, US, 58103

MAY **Memorial Service** 01:00PM

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Comments



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Beverly Joan Fossum.



May 29, 2019 at 10:32 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Beverly Joan Fossum.



May 29, 2019 at 06:21 PM



“ Arden, Jean, Donna, Gayle & Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Beverly Joan Fossum.



Arden, Jean, Donna, Gayle & Family - May 25, 2019 at 04:53 PM



“ I was just informed my last classmate, Beverly Weihrauch had died. She was also a relative, a daughter of my dad’s cousin. We were classmates for 12 years, through grade school and high school. Because our class was small, only eight of us, we were all very close as well. Out of our group of eight, Bev ranked first in laughter. With a great sense of humor, she kept the rest of us from getting too serious about grades, emotions, sweethearts, looks, and other things that mattered when teenagers. At the same time she was sensitive and reached out when any of us had an issue.

We were surprised when Bev, as a sophomore in high school decided to come out for the Columbia women’s basketball team. Although she was a strong supporter of Columbia’s athletic programs, she had shown little interest in actively participating in any of the sports. It was great when she did. Later, as a Junior and senior, she was one of the best defensive players on the team. We were all impressed with her athletic ability. I believe her athletic aggressiveness was inherited from our family, most who were also good athletes.

After graduation, six of the eight of our class, including Bev went on to achieve some form of higher education. All except one left our home in Columbia for higher ground. We remained in contact with each other and continue to track our lives.

I love her dearly and will miss our occasional conversations about friends and family.
Jermitt Krage



Jermitt Krage - May 23, 2019 at 11:50 PM



“ God gave us memories so we might have roses in December. Though the tears of sadness never cease, my prayers for you are the tears with laughter flow as you remember the happy times shared. She always had a friendly smile or kind word in her many works at church. God's blessings of wisdom, strength, courage and patience for each new day.

Jennie Millerhagen - May 20, 2019 at 11:14 AM



“ Cathy, Paul & Jake,

My heart breaks for you all during this time. There are no word to say that can help make this journey easier. Know that you have the beautiful memories that you have made together, which when you look back on them, can keep her alive in your heart, and in your soul for forever She's always looking down upon you, and is forever grateful that you have left an amazing impact on her life, and her on yours. Keep her alive always, and smile each time you think of her. May God Bless you all, and be with you on this journey through your most difficult days. You've always got friends and family who are here for you. If ever you need anything, please just ask. We love ya! Christy Wozny



Christy - May 20, 2019 at 08:22 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Christy - May 20, 2019 at 07:18 AM



“ Aunt Bev was a very good cook.
Richard Milbrandt



Richard Milbrandt - May 18, 2019 at 09:36 PM