



Shirley Joanne (Neset) Michelson

January 9, 1929 - December 1, 2018

Shirley Joanne (Neset) Michelson passed away on Saturday, December 1, 2018 at Bethany on University in Fargo, ND where she had been residing.

Shirley was born January 9, 1929 at Wellsburg, ND to Clara (Hanson) and Odin Neset. She graduated from Harvey High School in 1946 and from Minot State College in 1949. Shirley taught high school at Leeds, ND for three years.

She married Wilbur Michelson of Mandan, ND on June 29, 1952. They lived briefly in Gackle, Hazen, Wishek and Bismarck following Wilbur's employment with the ND State Highway Department; eventually making their home at Fargo. Shirley and "Mike" enjoyed traveling and visited most of the continental US. Shirley also enjoyed camping and boating with her family in Minnesota. In 1969 the "cabin" was purchased on Lake Six which provided many years of enjoyment for family and friends.

Shirley was a substitute teacher in Fargo high schools for 13 years until she became handicapped from MS. She fought MS courageously and was a volunteer for the National MS Society.

Shirley was a charter member of Hope Lutheran Church. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother.

Shirley is survived by her son Ken (Linda Kvale-Michelson) of Fargo and daughter Linda Mirehouse of Rapid City, SD; grandchildren are Nicole (Ben) Forsythe, Jessica (Dustin) Ehli, Kayla Michelson, Greg Michelson, Lucas Michelson and Jared (Jenni) Kvale; great-grandchildren are Lachlan, Eleanor and Trent.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Wilbur; son, Gary (Sherry) and brother, Duane.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

Cemetery

Sunset Memorial Gardens - Fargo
1715 52nd Ave. S.
Fargo, ND, 58104

Events

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Visitation

01:00PM - 02:00PM

Hope Lutheran Church - North Campus
2900 Broadway N., Fargo, ND, US, 58102
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Funeral Service

02:00PM

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Comments



“ I have many fond memories of Shirley - she was one of the wonderful neighborhood moms kids loved when growing up on 23rd Avenue and when spending time at the lake.
i recall her laughing with us, playing games, swimming, and cooking pancakes, rain or shine, outside the Michelson tent (and later, the Michelson cabin). She was smart, witty, strong, and independent, She was tough, when needed, but also very caring to all of her family and friends. We helped her keep Kenny in line, which was often needed when he'd take the boat out and forget his parents' rule to "stay in sight and half-throttle" - even when Shirley reminded him! My thoughts are with Shirley's family - I wish I could be there tomorrow. Debbie (Hegge) Meachum

Debra Meachum - December 05, 2018 at 08:58 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Shirley Joanne (Neset) Michelson.



December 05, 2018 at 05:21 PM



“ Growing up in the 60's my family lived across the street from the Michelson's. My mother would have me call all the local neighborhood women and invite them over for a card game, bridge, I believe. My parents, Win and Eunice, loved Shirley and Mike and their deep friendship continued even though my father accepted a transfer to Chicago in 1967. They all would spend time together in the summers where Michelson's had their cabin on Lake Six and my parents a cabin on Straight Lake, in Osage, and eventually later on Lake Sallie, in Detroit Lakes. They had a lot of fun through the years and their deep friendship was clearly witnessed by all that knew them. I had severe nausea growing up when sitting in the back seat of cars and when I was 10 years old I was traveling to "the lake" with Mike driving and Shirley in the passenger seat. I got extremely ill and vomited all over the car with little warning. Shirley was so comforting to me and was her usual self showing me compassion and not scolding me or getting upset. That was the woman that I knew and loved. Growing up through the years made me clearly realize this woman was so classy and thoughtful and intelligent. She loved my parents, and it showed, and we as a family have been so fortunate to have had friends like the Michelson's. Growing up I spent a good amount of time hanging out with Kenny and as such was treated so well by Shirley, who I always referred to as Mrs. Michelson, until I was in my late 20's. She will be missed and my condolences are sent with prayer to Linda and Ken

and the rest of the Michelson family. Winston (Grover) Bedford, MD

Winston Bedford, MD - December 05, 2018 at 08:05 AM



“ The. Carlson Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Shirley Joanne (Neset) Michelson.



The. Carlson Family - December 04, 2018 at 08:59 PM



“ My Condolences, Mark Michelson

Mark Michelson - December 04, 2018 at 07:05 PM



“ 106 files added to the album LifeTributes



Hanson-Runsvold Funeral Home - December 04, 2018 at 05:20 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Shirley Joanne (Neset) Michelson.



December 04, 2018 at 09:00 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Shirley Joanne (Neset) Michelson.



December 03, 2018 at 08:24 PM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Shirley Joanne (Neset) Michelson.



December 03, 2018 at 08:20 PM



“ With deepest sympathy, Sharon Spurrell

Sharon Spurrell - December 03, 2018 at 07:28 PM



“ Thinking of you all at this time. -Susan Spurrell Andrews

Susan Spurrell Andrews - December 03, 2018 at 07:26 PM