



Forget Me Not

In Loving Memory
CELEBRATING A LIFE
Dorothy M. Skogen

Born to Roy & Martha

January 23, 1925 ~ Williston, North Dakota

Returned to Her Heavenly Father

June 19, 2016 ~ Ray, North Dakota

Funeral Services

Thursday, June 23, 2016, at 3 pm
Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church
Williston, North Dakota

Officiating

Pastor Steve Lundblom
Pastor Betty Czubay

Music

Jim & Cheryl Lingenfelter

Pallbearers

Gary Skogen
Chrisitan & Nancy Skogen
John & Angela Skogen
Keith & Lindsay Rath

Final Resting Place

Riverview Cemetery ~ Williston, North Dakota

Hope Strength

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home - Williston, ND
has been entrusted with arrangements and services.



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Memories



Dorothy Marie Tong Skogen was born on January 23, 1925, to Roy and Martha (Raich) Tong in Ray, ND. She attended the Temple Elementary School and was a member of the graduating class of 1942 from Ray High School. Upon her graduation, she worked at the Citizens State Bank in Ray, ND, met Osmond Skogen, and they married on November 14, 1943, at the Epping Lutheran Church in Epping, ND. To this union, two children were born – Gary Eugene on December 19, 1945, and Phyllis Jean on June 14, 1949. She worked along side of Osmond at the farm. As he said, “She has been behind me every step of the way.”

She was a great hostess and cook and had many special dishes that everyone enjoyed – her porcupine meatballs, her Salisbury steak, and especially, pecan pie!!!

Dorothy was a member of the Epping Lutheran Church until their move to Williston in 1986. She served as a Sunday School teacher for many years, as well as held various offices in the Ladies Aid. She was very proud of the quality of work that the members of her circle did while serving for funerals, weddings, and special events at the church. As residents of Williston, Dorothy and Osmond became members of Our Redeemer’s Lutheran Church, where she volunteered many hours, as well as making the meatballs for the annual dinner and providing a variety of delicacies for the annual bake sale.

Dorothy had many hobbies and talents. She was a member of a bowling team in Williston and enjoyed the friendships of those gals. She always was up for a game of cards – pinochle, whist, or bridge - and appreciated her many friends from card clubs and the challenges of a competitive card game.

Her flower gardens, both at the farm and in Williston, could easily have been pictured in the Better Homes and Garden Yards of the Week. She often shared plants with the advice, “Oh, just stick it in the ground and it will grow!” Really??

She was an expert seamstress, and along with her aprons and towels, she brought her divinity, sweet relish, salsa, and jam varieties to craft shows, where people stood in line to buy “Dorothy’s wares.”

Recently, Dorothy and Osmond became residents of Bethel Lutheran Home in Williston, ND. They enjoyed the extended family and activities that became a part of their lives. They have celebrated many milestones there – Dorothy’s 90th birthday, Dorothy and Osmond’s 72nd wedding anniversary, as well as being named the 2016 Valentine King and Queen of Bethel Home.

Dorothy is survived by her husband of 72 years, Osmond Skogen; her son and wife, Gary and Alvina (Strand) Skogen; grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Christian, Nancy, and Osmond Skogen, John and Angela Skogen, and Lindsay and Keith Rath, Taylor and Noah; her sister, Cora Weyrauch of Ross, ND; sisters-in-law, Elaine Tong of Bismarck, ND, Joyce Tong of Ray, ND, Dolores Skogen of Fargo, ND, Clara Johnson of Kalispell, MT, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death, her parents, her daughter Phyllis Jean Johnson, her brothers/sisters and spouses, Roy Tong, John Edward Tong, Robert and Arla Tong, Hank and Annie Ringey, Vivian Engen, and Philip Weyrauch, as well as members of the Skogen family, Harry and Berit Leverenz, Ted and Annie Anderson, Conrad Skogen, and Percy Johnson.

Honor Loving Memory

Footprints



One night a woman had a dream. She dreamed she was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from her life. For each scene she noticed two sets of footprints in the sand: one belonging to her, and the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of her life flashed before her, she looked back at the footprints in the sand. She noticed that many times along the path of her life there was only one set of footprints. she also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in her life.



This really bothered her and she questioned the Lord about it: “Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you’d walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don’t understand why when I needed you most you would leave me.”

*The Lord replied:
“My daughter, my precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you.”*