I came by today to see you Though I had to let you know If I knew the last time that I held you was the last time I'd have held you and never let go Oh it's kept me awake night wonderin' I lie in the dark, just asking why? I've always been told you won't be called home until it's your time

I guess Heaven was needing a hero Somebody just like you Brave enough to stand up for what you believe and follow it through When I try to make it make sense in my mind The only conclusion I come to Is that Heaven was needing a hero like you

I remember the last time I saw you Oh you held your head up proud I laughed inside when I saw how you were standing out in the crowd You're such a part of who I am Now that part will just be void No matter how much I need you now Heaven needed you more

'Cause Heaven was needing a hero Somebody just like you Brave enough to stand up for what you believe and follow it though When I try to make it make sense in my mind The only conclusion I come to Is that Heaven was needing a hero like you

Yes, Heaven was needing a hero, That's You

## Donna Mae Brodal

Born to Palmer & Nina Ouren June 4, 1936 ~ Crosby, North Dakota

**Returned to Her Heavenly Father** October 11, 2020 ~ Tioga, North Dakota

*Funeral Service* Saturday, October 17, 2020, 1:00 PM First Lutheran Church ~ Tioga, North Dakota

Officiating Pastor Mike Olson & Pastor Mike Burns

## Music

Go Rest High on That Mountain Rhonda Bartlette, Barb Lind & Tina Flesness Heaven Needed a Hero ~ Rhonda Bartlette The Old Rugged Cross ~ Rhonda Bartlette & Barb Lind

**Readings** Luke 15: 8-10 Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8 Psalm 23: 1-4

Pallbearers

William Lind Garrett Holte Garry Ouren Lynn Brodal

t Holte Rodney Thorson Brodal Jim Hegland

## Honorary Pallbearers

All of Donna's Grandchildren **Rhonda Bartlette Barb** Lind Teresa Carnes Merissa Matos All of Donna's Great Grandchildren William Lind Garrett Holte Jessie Carnes Jamie Lind Jenna Carnes Kiara Bartlette Jasmine Matos **Tony Matos** Isabelle Matos Donna's Great-Great Grandchildren Quincy Lind

Final Resting Place Wildrose Cemetery ~ Wildrose, North Dakota

*Arrangements By* Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home ~ Tioga, North Dakota





In Loving Memory Of

## Donna Mae Brodal June 4, 1936 - October 11, 2020





In Loving Memory

I thought of you today, but that is nothing new. I thought about you yesterday and days before that too. I think of you in silence, I often speak your name. All I have are memories and your picture in a frame. Your memory is a keepsake from which I'll never part. God has you in His arms, I have you in my heart. Donna Mae (Ouren) Brodal, born June 4th 1936 in Crosby, ND to Palmer & Nina Ouren where she lived on the family farm 8 miles north of Wildrose until 1954, She attended school at Highland #3 in Divide County from 1942 to 1950 & was confirmed at Glenwood Lutheran Church on October 15th, 1950. Donna worked at the Roods Roost Café in Wildrose.

On October 28th, 1955 Donna was united in marriage to Malcolm Russell Lysaker & to this marriage one son, Dale Russell Lysaker was born on November 26th, 1956. In 1959 the family moved to the Lysaker farm 2 ½ miles west of Wildrose and purchased the farm in 1967. Malcolm became ill with diabetes and Donna trained for months to learn how to run his dialysis machine and became his at home nurse. On June 25th 1979 Malcolm passed away while in Minneapolis, MN. At the age of 14 Dale took over the family farm.

Donna was married to Henry Brodal on November 15th, 1980. Donna enjoyed listening to Henry play guitar, piano and singing. They enjoyed traveling whenever they could. They lived on the Brodal farm south east of Noonan until Henry's death in January of 1999.

Donna moved to Williston and lived near her son & family until March 20th of 2004 when she became Mrs. Lavern Ramberg and moved to Tioga, ND. Donna lived in an assisted living apartment in Tioga to be closer to Lavern as he entered the Tioga Nursing home in late 2015 due to a stroke. In 2018 Donna also moved into the Tioga Nursing home and resided there until her passing.

Donna loved life! She enjoyed dancing, playing cards, listening to music, doing puzzles and visiting with family & friends. She was an amazing cook & baker, no one ever left Donna's home hungry! Donna was quite handy with a saw, hammer & nails. A trait she learned from her father Palmer. Donna also kept matriculas records of everything, from names, dates, weather reports and even food preparation of the host at holidays spent, places and dates labeled on items purchased like vases and dishes, to labels on the inside of the cupboard doors to let anyone needing something know right where it should be.

Donna is preceded in death by her parents; husbands; sisters, Sharon, Lorraine & Carol & brother, LaVerne.

Donna is survived by her brother, Maynard & 2 sisters; Ilene & Marion. She is also survived by her son, Dale Lysaker & his wife Donna; 4 granddaughters, Rhonda (Darren) Bartlette, Barb (Shane) Lind, Teresa Carnes all of Williston, Merissa (Doug) Matos of Norfolk, VA. 9 Great grandchildren, William Lind & Jamie (Mysti) Lind, Garrett Holte, Kiara Bartlette, Jessie (Lexi) Carnes, Jenna (Carl) Carnes, Tony, Jasmine & Isabel Matos. One Great grandson Quincy Lind, and many nieces & nephews. We are going to miss her and her loving heart until we can meet again!

