



Geraldine Emma Nelson

October 24, 1931 - December 20, 2023

Geraldine Emma Nelson, (nee Graber), 92, of Brooklyn Center, MN. Born in Marion, SD to Jacob and Lillian Graber. Died 12/20/23 peacefully at home with hospice care.

Preceded in death by parents, brother, Marvin Graber, and husband Gerald. Survived by sister Beverly Klassen (Delmar); sister-in-law Rachel; daughters Debra Jo Dieter (Michael) and Sandy Stiles; grandchildren Sarah Dieter, Anna Dieter, Rachel Dieter Oussoren (Geert-Jan), Bethany Stiles (Jeff Rodeck) and Nate Stiles (Kali). Many nieces and nephews and extended family and many friends.

She graduated from Fulton High school in Fulton, SD, 1949, graduated from Sioux Valley Hospital School of Nursing in 1952. She later continued on to Augustana College, Sioux Falls, SD graduating with a BS in Sociology, and continued her work at Sioux Valley Hospital. After this she moved to U of Minn and worked in Pediatrics. Finished her nursing career at Southdale Pediatrics as a triage nurse.

Geri and Gerald married in 1960 and shared a lifetime of great memories together. They enjoyed travel, both in the US and abroad, camping with their family, and eventually owning their own cabin near the North Shore of MN. Geri enjoyed knitting, quilting, and gardening. Music was very important in Geri's life, both as an organist and pianist, and member of both vocal and

handbell choirs. She also loved to entertain in her home. She volunteered often for church, school and at 7500 York Co-op when they lived there.

Memorial service will be January 22, 2024 at Normandale Lutheran Church, Edina, MN. Visitation at 10 am and service at 11am with lunch to follow.

Memorials can be directed to Normandale Lutheran Church music program: normluth.org, or Alzheimer's Association: alz.org

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Normandale Lutheran Church
6100 Normandale Road
Edina, MN 55436

Church Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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