



Leone Marie Hunter-Gjesvold

December 12, 2015

Hunter-Gjesvold, Leone Marie of Crystal. Sept. 8, 1954 - Dec. 12, 2015
Beloved Wife, Mother, Grammy, Sister, Daughter, Friend, and colleague,
Leone Hunter-Gjesvold was called home to heaven December 12, 2015 after
a brief illness. She was born in Mankato, MN, oldest of 4 children, to Norma
(Schweim) and Luverne Lueck. As a young girl, she enjoyed playing make
believe with her little brother Jimmy and riding bikes with her sisters-usually to
her Grandma Lueck's house (a block away). She spent a lot of time with her
Grandma Lueck who she considered as her role model. Her Grandma's
strength, wisdom, kindness, and compassion for others shaped Leone's ideals
and inspired her to achieve her dreams and become a strong role model for
others, especially women. Leone was a strong willed, independent woman
who knew exactly what she wanted. She lived her life exactly the way she
wanted all the way to the end. She lived with passion, she loved deeply, spoke
frankly, laughed hard, and shared it all with us unselfishly. She would not want
you to mourn her but instead celebrate the fun times you shared and smile at
the memories. Then go buy something and donate it to charity, but get
yourself something nice too. Because of that spirit, in lieu of flowers, please
donate to Sharing and Caring Hands or your favorite charity. Survived by her
loving husband, Duane Gjesvold, her two children and her two grandchildren:
Ross (Nikki) Hunter and their son Drake, Jon (Erica) Hunter and their son
Garrett, mother Norma (Schweim) Lueck, brother James (Pat) Lueck and their
sons Tony (Ashley) Lueck and their children Addison and Austin, Robert

(Nicole) Lueck and their son Karsyn, sisters Carol (Jim) Schank and her son Andrew Prindle, Sherry Schultz and her daughters Kimberly (Neal) O'Connell and Katie Schultz. She is also survived by many Aunts, Uncles, Cousins and many dear friends that she considered family. She was preceded in death by her father Luverne Lueck, grandparents Leslie and Marie Lueck, Arthur and Edna Schweim, niece Katherine Prindle. A Celebration of Life service will be held on Friday, December 18th at 11:00 AM at Calvary Lutheran Church, 7520 Golden Valley Rd, Golden Valley, MN 55427, with visitation before the service starting at 10:00 AM. Lunch and fellowship to follow the service. Washburn-McReavy.com Glen Haven Chapel 763-533-8643

Tribute Wall

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“ Although we cannot be there today in person we all would like to send Duane & Leone’s children our deepest condolence from each team member of the Contact Center in Canada.

She was our leader, mentor and a big part of our success. I hadn’t met a women with such personal strength. Her laughter was infectious and we all loved to hear her wonderful story’s.

We had many conversations and I come to find out that we were both admirers of the great poet Maya Angelou...so this one is for you Leone - may your memory be eternal - rest in peace our friend.

When Great Trees Fall

*When great trees fall,
rocks on distant hills shudder,
lions hunker down
in tall grasses,
and even elephants
lumber after safety.*

*When great trees fall
in forests,
small things recoil into silence,
their senses
eroded beyond fear.*

*When great souls die,
the air around us becomes
light, rare, sterile.
We breathe, briefly.
Our eyes, briefly,
see with
a hurtful clarity.
Our memory, suddenly sharpened,
examines,*

*gnaws on kind words
unsaid,
promised walks
never taken.*

*Great souls die and
our reality, bound to
them, takes leave of us.*

*Our souls,
dependent upon their
nurture,
now shrink, wizened.*

*Our minds, formed
and informed by their
radiance,
fall away.*

*We are not so much maddened
as reduced to the unutterable ignorance
of dark, cold
caves.*

*And when great souls die,
after a period peace blooms,
slowly and always
irregularly. Spaces fill
with a kind of
soothing electric vibration.*

*Our senses, restored, never
to be the same, whisper to us.*

They existed. They existed.

*We can be. Be and be
better. For they existed.”*

? Maya Angelou