



Marjery Mae (Kraft) Fjelde

September 3, 2016

Fjelde, Marjery Mae (Kraft) Age 76 of Edina passed away on September 3, 2016. Marj was born in Hampton, Iowa on March 27, 1940 to Elroy "Mike" and Florence (Terveer) Kraft, who preceded her in death. She is survived by her loving husband of 56 years, Tom; four siblings: sisters Beverly Myers of Greensboro, NC and Dorothy Jensen of Las Vegas, NV; and brothers John (Shirley) Kraft of Cottage Grove, MN and George Kraft of Boulder City, NV. Marj was an All State girls basketball player first team in 1957 and 1958. She graduated from Grand View College, and Drake University in Des Moines, IA and Mankato State University. Marj met Tom while at Grand View and they were married June 5, 1960. She taught for 23 years, including 3rd and 4th grade in Saylor Center, IA and Longfellow School in Minneapolis, and Special Education in Bloomington elementary schools. She left her mark on the lives of many students. Marj and Tom lived in Bloomington and Edina, MN and raised two wonderful daughters: Sonja (Joel) Geisler of Portland, Oregon and Kristin (Philip) Kasten of Northfield, MN. They have two granddaughters: Elsa Kasten and Ingrid Geisler; and two grandsons Max and Jens Kasten. She is also survived by Uncle Richard "Dick" Terveer, and many nieces, nephews, and other friends and family. Marj was an artist and teacher of Danish counted cross stitch, with lifelong dear friends in her sewing club stitch & bitch for 50 years. She was a member of the Zuhrah Shrine Ladies Dinner Group and a founding 20 year member of the Zuhrah Torsk Klub. She was also a member of Mount Olivet Lutheran Church, Sons of Norway Oslo #2 Lodge, Danish

American Center, a Vesterheim Fellow, the Spur Investment Club, and active on various committees at 7500 York Cooperative. Every August since 1974, including this year, Marj loved singing, dancing, and crafting with family and lifelong friends at Danebod Folk Camp. Marj and Tom enjoyed travel and visited 49 states (Alabama!), six continents, 57 countries, and spent parts sixteen winters on the Gold Coast of Oahu, Hawaii. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to Shriners Hospital for Children, Danebod Folk Camp, or to donor's choice. Devoted Mother and Mormor who lived life for her family and many friends. Service Sat., Sept. 10th at 11 AM, visitation beginnng 10 AM, all at: Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996 West 50th St. & Hwy 100

Tribute Wall

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“ *My belated but deep and sincere condolences to the Kraft/Fjelde family. For some reason I was thinking about Mrs. Fjelde tonight. Then I found her 4-year-old obituary. She was absolutely one of my favorite teachers! I spent two years with her... third and fourth grades at Longfellow school in the 1960s. During our music lessons Mrs. Fjelde taught us “Negro Spiritual” songs... which is something I always appreciated, being the only black kid in class. One day when we were painting Christmas ornaments with aerosol spray cans, some of us were complaining about the smell. Mrs. Fjelde, exasperated with us on that particular day, said “ We’ll if you don’t like it go home!” Well, I took that as permission to leave so I walked out and went home.... remember this was 4th grade. I was a hero to my classmates when I came back the next day. I can’t remember what Mrs. Fjelde thought. Before I finished at Longfellow I do remember her being pregnant. I now live in Boston I am so sorry that she passed before I could tell her what I did with my life and how she influenced me. My best to her family. -Byron Barnett, Longfellow ‘67*

Byron Barnett - March 07, 2020 at 11:38 PM

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“ *Tom and Family,*

Words can never express your loss of Marjery. With our deepest sympathy to you all, our thoughts and prayers are with you as you cope with Margery's memory. In return, Margery would want you to walk tall and proud.

Larry and Sandra Thomforde

Larry Thomforde - September 06, 2016 at 02:26 PM

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“ *27 years ago last month, my Aunt Marj took me to college, along with my mom, my grandmother and great-grandmother. Aunt Marj's bright and shining smile provided much-needed reassurance during the bittersweet moment when they left me to begin my new adventure. I'm so thankful for all the times we spent together and I treasure those memories.*

Aimee Schooley - September 06, 2016 at 12:08 PM

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“ My dad used to work at Sears Roebuck in Washington, IA. Every year on founders day they would celebrate by having a parade & each business or store on the town square would enter a float. One year my dad got Aunt Marj to wear a white one-piece swimsuit and put her on the top of his float with the caption, "The girl on Page 53." (I'm really not sure of the page number) It was a hit and I actually think she was much more beautiful than any of the models in the actual Sears catalog. I also think all the other people thought so, too.

RIP. I will miss you!

*Love you,
Your niece, Rebekah*

Rebekah Myers - September 06, 2016 at 10:23 AM