

*In Loving Memory of  
Eileen Birkeland*



*1937 - 2018*

## *Safely Home*

*I am home in Heaven dear ones;  
Oh, so happy and bright!  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
In this everlasting light.  
All pain and grief is over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever.  
Safely home in Heaven at last.  
There is work still waiting for you,  
So you must not idly stand,  
Do it now, while life remaineth—  
You shall rest in Jesus' land.  
When that work is all completed,  
He will gently call you Home;  
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,  
Oh the joy to see you come!*



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*Eileen Birkeland*

***Her Date and Place of Birth***  
*April 9, 1937 ~ White Earth Valley, ND*

***Her Date and Place of Passing***  
*July 31, 2018 ~ Williston, ND*

***Her Memorial Service***  
*Faith United Methodist Church*  
*Williston, ND*  
*Friday, August 3, 2018*  
*2:00 PM*

***Officiating***  
*Rev. Ross Reinhiller*

***Readers***  
*Maria Zimdars*  
*Anjel Helms*  
*Paul Helms*  
*Ingrid Grande*

***Music***  
*Russell Evitt*  
*Ann Holmen*

***Urn Bearers***  
*Jacob Birkeland    Alec Grande*  
*Caleb Birkeland    Ian Grande*

***Her Final Resting Place***  
*Riverview Cemetery*  
*Williston, ND*

***Eileen Angela (Stein) Birkeland*** was born April 9, 1937. She was born and raised in the White Earth Valley to Henry and Edna (Barstad) Stein, they moved to Williston when she was a young girl.

*On October 17, 1954 Eileen was united in marriage to Arvid Gene Birkeland at the Methodist church in Williston. They celebrated more than 50 years of marriage before Arvid's passing.*

*Eileen was dearly loved by her family, and spending time with them was her greatest joy. Being with grandchildren and great grandchildren always brought delight to her heart and a smile to her face.*

*She was a member of Faith United Methodist Church where she was active in many areas including quilting where she enjoyed working and visiting with others. Always the supportive mother she was the homeroom mom for all her children throughout the years. Involved in community service at many levels, and rarely missed a swim meet in or out of town.*

*Eileen is survived by her five children, David (Cheryl) Birkeland and their children Jacob (Elise) and Andy (Daniel); Sally (Lynn) Helms and their children Nathan (Hannah), Anjel (Sebastian) and Paul; Bette (Don) Grande and their children Alec (Hollie), Ian (Kayla) and Ingrid; John (Donita) Birkeland, and their child Caleb; Mary Beth (Ty) Zimdars and their children Maria, Talia, Angelia, and Wayne. Three great-grandchildren Amalie Aas, Tobias Gene Grande and Christian Judah Grande. Also, surviving is her sister Judy (Terry) Shafer and many favorite cousins, nieces, nephews and other family and numerous friends.*

*She is preceded in death by her loving husband Arvid; her mother and father; and two brothers, Jackie and Jerry; sister-in-law Grace Neubauer and brother-in-law Tom Neubauer; nephew Dan Neubauer.*