



Evonne Jeanette Morken

February 24, 1931 - February 26, 2022

Dateline; Spring Grove, MN

Evonne Jeanette (Treangen Otterness) Morken, age 91 of Spring Grove, passed away Sat. February 26, 2022 at Gundersen Tweeten Care Center in Spring Grove.

She was born on February 24, 1931 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin to Arthur Cornelius and Norma Blanche (LaForge) Treangen.

The family lived in Wheeler, WI where she attended Oak Grove Country School until the 8th grade, after which she took home study courses to get her high school diploma.

When Evonne was twelve the family moved to Spring Grove to her father's home farm.

She was confirmed at Riceford Lutheran church at age thirteen. She helped her father on the farm until she was married to Orvin Otterness on November 24, 1948. To this union was born four children Michael Otterness, Susan (Larry) Erickson, Randy Otterness, and Diane (Robert) Abraham, the couple were married for twenty-one years before divorcing in 1969.

On June 27, 1970 Evonne married Glenn Morken, to that union were born two children Lonnie (Stephanie) Morken and Joy (Steve) Afdahl.

Glenn and Evonne enjoyed going on bus tours (twelve in all), the best was the last one to Alaska for eleven days, which started with a bus ride to the cities to board a plane to Alaska, and included a cruise in Valdas for four hours.

They also enjoyed going to Volley ball and Basketball games in both Spring Grove and Mabel.

Over the years Evonne wore many hats as far as employment, she worked a combined twenty-one years in the nursing homes in Spring Grove and Mabel, MN

She owned and operated the Spring Grove Laundromat, and held part-time jobs at babysitting and had a paper route.

Evonne often joked that she had to retire before she got a job she really loved and that was being a crossing guard supervisor for Spring Grove Public School, which she held for twenty years, until her knees gave out; It didn't matter what kind of weather, Blizzard, rainy, ten below, or whatever, she was out there twice a day; She also dressed up for all holidays, Santa Clause, the Easter Bunny, and my other costumes for Halloween, the kids loved it.

She enjoyed riding her big red Honda motor scooter till age 87.

Evonne was a member of Waterloo Ridge Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her children Michael of Spring Valley, Susan (Larry) Erickson of Spring Valley, MN, Diane (Robert) Otterness Abraham of Rancho Santa Fe, CA, Lonnie (Stephanie) Morken of Mabel,

and Joy (Steve) Afdahl of Lakeville, MN

Granddaughters Kari (Mike) Rasmussen of Kasson, MN, Lee Erickson of Rochester, MN, Jennifer (Donald) Hooker of Texas, Abby and Emily Afdahl and Sadie, Sophia and Sahara Morken. Three great-granddaughters Mackenzie and Milee Rasmussen and Lexi Hooker, and several nieces and nephews

She was preceded in death by her parents, her two husbands Orvin and Glenn, her son Randy, two brothers Verlyn and Byron (Bob), three nieces Dawn, Penny and Julie, and two nephews Bruce and Ricky.

A celebration of life will be held on Sat. May 14th at Waterloo Ridge Lutheran Church from 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Roble Funeral Home in Spring Grove is assisting the family with arrangements

Cemetery Details

Waterloo Ridge Church Cemetery

169 Dorchester Dr.
Dorchester, IA 52140

Previous Events

A Celebration of Life

MAY 14 (CT)

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Dorchester, IA 52140

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear Evonne passed - she was a friend to everyone, especially the children, with her costumes, homemade suckers, etc.

Loretta - March 02 at 11:19 AM

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“ Evonne was very special to me. I was always late for crossing guard duty and struggled with mornings, yet she had such a nice approach with kindness that she knew I could do better. She was right, and now I'm always early! In adulthood she still kept an eye on me and sent the most thoughtful messages and keepsakes for my kids. I will miss her waving and hugs. She was at everything, always a big fan for so many and in the front row. She will be missed!

Stephanie - March 01 at 11:50 PM