



## Shirley Ann Alstad

May 21, 1937 - June 10, 2015

Shirley Ann (Jameson) Alstad, 78, of Spring Grove, Minnesota, passed away on Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at Green Lea Manor in Mabel, Minnesota after a courageous battle with cancer.

She was born May 21, 1937 in Spring Grove, Minnesota to Ernest and Norma (Wiste) Jameson. She grew up in South Fork Valley in rural Fillmore County and was baptized and confirmed at South Fork Lutheran Church. After graduating from Mabel High School in 1954, she attended and graduated from Lutheran Bible Institute, Golden Valley, Minnesota. Shirley worked as parish secretary at First Lutheran Church in Decorah, Iowa.

On December 7, 1957, Shirley married David Alstad at Faith Lutheran Church in Black Hammer. Shortly after, she and David purchased the Glasrud farm near Black Hammer where they raised their five children.

Shirley's priorities in life included her faith, family, friends, and farm life. She was an active member of Faith Lutheran Church in Black Hammer. She had a love for music and enjoyed singing. Shirley was a beautiful presence in the lives of her family and all who knew her.

She is survived by her husband of 57 years, her children Dan (Kari) Alstad, Jacqueline Parker, and Kristin (Eric) Bjerke all of Spring Grove, Mary Beth (Martin) Stenzel of Denver, Colorado, and Jon (Darby) Alstad of Fort Collins, Colorado. She is also survived by her grandchildren Brooke, Derek, and Elizabeth Johnson, Leah (Kyle) Sanchez and Kayla Alstad, Vendela Parker, and Kai and Reid Bjerke; two sisters, Donna (Keith) Nelson and June Omel, by several brothers and sisters-in-law, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother-in-law Alex Omel, and nephew Lee Nelson.

# Cemetery Details

## Faith Lutheran Cemetery

Black Hammer, MN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **14**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Roble Funeral Home  
225 East Main Street  
P.O. Box 368  
Spring Grove, MN 55974  
(507) 498-3875  
mor4law@springgrove.coop  
<https://roblefuneralhome.com/>

## Service

JUN **15**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church  
Black Hammer, MN 55974

# Tribute Wall

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“ Over the years, I know Dan and I have moved in different circles of life, but I will never forget Shirley's strong values, her drive and ambition which she passed to each one of you and her warm friendly smile. She was very proud of each of you. I was saddened to learn of her passing from cancer and my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.



*Steve Langland*

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**Steve Langland** - June 14, 2015 at 05:26 PM

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“ Gary & Christine Knutson and Dolores Sheehan purchased the Blooming Garden Basket for the family of Shirley Ann Alstad.



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**Gary & Christine Knutson and Dolores Sheehan** - June 13, 2015 at 09:18 PM



“ Splendid Orchids was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Alstad.



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June 13, 2015 at 04:17 PM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Alstad.*



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June 13, 2015 at 01:49 AM



“ *Jackie and Family - my thoughts and prayers are with you; my heartfelt sympathy to all of you.*  
*Diane Matheis*  
*(Lloyd and Harriet Ellingson's daughter)*

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**Diane Matheis** - June 12, 2015 at 10:14 AM



“ *Diane Matheis lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ann Alstad*



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**Diane Matheis** - June 12, 2015 at 10:09 AM



“ *I am so saddened to read of Shirley's passing. My deepest sympathies to you David and Dan and the entire family. I always enjoyed my visits at your farm. Shirley was one of the sweetest and kindest ladies I know. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. Faith, family and friends will get you through.*

*Mary Sue Kreidermacher*

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**Mary Sue Kreidermacher** - June 12, 2015 at 09:13 AM

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“ I came to know Shirley as a customer at Blooming Business when she would come in to order 122 petunias each spring. We would visit and share our cancer survivor updates. This year she shared with me that she had an upcoming check up. I knew she was in trouble, but her beautiful, hopeful spirit didn't let on. I enjoyed a lovely, private lady who always asked about my children and grandchildren, and then shared the joys of her own family. I will miss her and am sorry for your loss. Kathy Roverud

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**kathy roverud** - June 11, 2015 at 05:40 PM