

*God hath not promised
Skies always Blue,
Flower-strewn pathways
All our lives through;
God hath not promised
Sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow,
Peace without pain.*

*But God hath promised
Strength for the day,
Rest for the labor,
Light for the way.
Grace for the trials,
Help from above,
Unfailing sympathy
Undying love...*

Celebrating of Life for

Shirley Mae Young

11:00 a.m., Friday, February 2, 2024

Wesley United Methodist Church, Edgeley

Pastor Becca Hafner, officiant

Lucy Malm, accompanist

Prelude

Processional Hymn

"Softly & Tenderly"

Invocation & Prayer

Scripture Reading:

Romans 5: 1-5

Hebrews 11: 1

I Corinthians 13: 8

Hymn

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Obituary

Hymn

"In the Garden"

Message

Peace, Faith, Love

Hymn

"God Will Take Care of You"

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

"Go Now in Peace"

Recessional

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"



Shirley Mae (Chappell) was born September 29, 1930, in LaMoure to Amanda (Orness) and Earle Chappell of rural Dickey, ND, joining sisters Gwen and Marian. A brother, Wally, joined the family in 1935. She was baptized into the Methodist faith October 1932 by her grandfather, Rev. T.J. Chappell.

Shirley received her education grades 1-3 at Roscoe Rural School and grades 4-12 at Dickey School, graduating in 1948. She then attended Valley City State Teacher's College, graduating in 1950. Her first teaching position was grade 2 at LaMoure Public School. Other teaching positions were Nora #2 (all grades), Russel (all grades), Edgeley Public School (kindergarten and grades 2 and 3), and Fairview Hutterite Colony (grades 4-8).

Shirley married James Bethke June 9, 1951, in Williston, ND. They lived with the Bethke family, where James farmed and had dairy cattle. To this union two children were born, Karen and David. James and his brother Louis died in a car accident August 30, 1957. Shirley and children returned to her parental home in Dickey, living there until the spring of 1961. They then returned to Edgeley where Shirley taught Edgeley's first kindergarten. They lived with Amelia Bethke in Edgeley until Shirley remarried. Shirley and James Young, Merricourt, were married in Aberdeen, SD, September 21, 1961. James (Tracy and Kristi) and Shirley adopted each other's children from their first marriages. To this union one daughter was born, Marla. They farmed and raised beef cattle on their farm near Merricourt. James was also a rural mail carrier, until his stroke in 1991, when he had to discontinue all operations. James died in 2003. Shirley lived in Linton, Kulm, Edgeley, and Bismarck prior to entering Manor St Joseph in Edgeley in 2020. She entered Wishek Living Center on January 2, 2024.

Shirley's favorite pastimes were crocheting, embroidery, reading, playing cards, spending time with family and friends, and playing with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Shirley was preceded in death by her husbands, her parents, a niece, sister-in-law Darlene Chappell, and siblings Gwen, Marian, and Wally. She is survived by her children Karen Hughes, Tracy (Roger) Roeszler, Kristi Young, David (Pam) Young, Marla (Neal) Berntson, 14 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

School days, school days
Dear old golden rule days!
Reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic
taught to the tune of the hickory stick



*Our lives are in God's loving hands in everything we do
He is with us constantly, He always sees us through and if
our faith is strong enough we'll never walk alone.
For with His great and perfect love,
He takes care of His own.
With God behind us and His arms beneath us we can face
whatever lies before us.*