



## Earlis Hill

October 15, 1934 - September 19, 2008

Earlis Jean Harland was born on October 15, 1934 on her family farm near Nome, ND, the daughter of Palmer and Annie (Thoreson) Harland. She was raised on the farm with her siblings and attended Lindvold Country School. In 1951, she graduated valedictorian from Nome High School, at the age of 16. She worked in Valley City, ND for a short time, but went back to help her dad with farming.

On January 23, 1954, she married William Hill; they spent the first two years of married life in Fort Knox, Kentucky and Puerto Rico while Bill was in the military service. They later moved to Bill's family farm in Getchell Township, where they farmed together for many years. Together they raised 5 daughters. She loved refinishing antique furniture and making it look like new. She loved quilting and could "putz" all day in her sewing room. She was a competitive bowler and attended several national bowling tournaments with her friends. Dancing with her husband was one of the things she truly loved and missed the last few years because of her failing health. She was a member of the AmVets Auxiliary Post 3 and the Valley City Eagles Post 2192 Auxiliary. Her whole life was focused around her children and grandchildren whom she truly doted upon. She was very proud of was being 100% Norwegian.

Earlis is survived by her husband Bill; daughters, Lynn (Guy) Hill Harper of Dickinson, ND, Lori Hill of Fargo, ND, Tami (Virgil) Kratz of Valley City, Christl (Alan) Durand of Hoople, ND, and Tracey Hill of Devils Lake; 5 grandchildren, Sadie Harper of Indianapolis, IN, Graham Harper of Dickinson, Markus Kratz

of Valley City, Danielle and Brendan Durand both of Hoople; brothers, Charles Harland of West Fargo, ND and Douglas (Peggy) Harland of Nome; sisters, Marilyn (Carl) Buttke of Valley City, Susan (Keith) Colville of Valley City, and Karen (Charlie) Pederson of Valley City; and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Beverly Kunze; and nephew, Jerry Harland.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials be given to St. Petri Cemetery in care of Jim Storhoff; 4930 SE 125th Ave.; Nome, ND 58062.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **22**. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel  
251 Central Ave. S.  
Valley City, ND

## Service

SEP **23**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church  
309 4th St NE  
Valley City, ND

# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Lori and Hill family,  
I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. I'll always remember the good times we had at the farm and I am really glad I got to know Earlis.  
Sincerely, the whole Noga family.##imported-begin##Johannes Noga##imported-end##

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September 27, 2008 at 12:15 PM



“ Dear Lori and family. I'm very sorry to hear about your loss. Mike just told me about it in an email. Lovely Lori, I know your mother was a great and strong person, because I know that you are that way and that's what you need to show now to go through this. I'd love to be there, but unfortunately I can't as you know... Take care, love to you and your family  
Martin Frühauf##imported-begin##Martin Frühauf##imported-end##

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September 24, 2008 at 10:37 AM



“ Hi Tami  
  
I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. We are thinking of you.  
  
Ron and Tracey Dahl  
(Pam's Justesen's Sister)##imported-begin##Tracey & Ron Dahl##imported-end##

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September 24, 2008 at 09:46 AM



“ Hill Family,

*Carey and I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to all of you. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Sincerely*

*Beth Byberg Dreher##imported-begin##Beth Byberg  
Dreher##imported-end##*

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September 23, 2008 at 02:53 PM



“ Dear Bill and family, I'm so sorry to hear about Earlis. I know it's been along time since I had seen you and her, but I always enjoyed visiting with her when I saw her. Please know you are all in our prayers and please know if there is anything I can do please don't hesitate to call. God be with you all. Carol and Mark Klein##imported-begin##Carol Klein##imported-end##

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September 23, 2008 at 02:40 PM



“ Lori, Tami and family; Scott and I just heard about your Mom, Just know we are thinking of you and remember we are only a phone call away if you need anything. Love Scott and Jill##imported-begin##Scott and Jill Engler##imported-end##

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September 23, 2008 at 01:01 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss and just wanted to let you know I am thinking about all of you. I'm sorry I couldnt be there just know you are all in my thoughts and prayers. Lori, Gene, Lexie, Sarah, and Becca##imported-begin##Lori Cox##imported-end##

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September 23, 2008 at 11:15 AM



“ Dear Guy, Lynn, Saders, Graham, Bill, families of Earlis,  
We are so sorry in the loss of a truly beautiful lady. We know that  
your hearts are breaking....may God fill you with His strength  
through this difficult time.  
Peace & love to each of you,  
Gil & Sheila Harper, Rugby###imported-begin##Gil & Sheila  
Harper###imported-end##

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September 23, 2008 at 10:29 AM



“ Bill and Family: Sorry to hear about Earlis. We really have good  
memories of the bowling league we were on many years ago.  
Surely enjoyed knowing you and Earlis all these years. Take Care  
and may God bless you in these difficult times. See you around Bill.  
Ken & Diane Rasmusson###imported-begin##Ken & Diane  
Rasmusson###imported-end##

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September 23, 2008 at 08:20 AM



“ Dear Hill family,

*I am so sorry for your loss. I know she is in a better place, yet it does not take away from your tremendous loss of such a beautiful woman, a mother, a wife, a grand-mother and a friend. Take comfort that so many people care about all of you and how you are doing throughout all of this. May you find comfort and peace with each other as a family as you mourn your loss and do your best to celebrate her life Tuesday morning. I am so sorry I can't be there, I know you would be there for me Lori, cause that's just who you are.*

*Take care and God bless you all.*

*Sincerely,*

*Mike Vangsnes Fargo##imported-begin##Mike Vangsnes##imported-end##*

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September 23, 2008 at 12:20 AM



“ Bill,

*I just read about Earlis on the Times Record website. Sorry I didn't get to see her the past 14 years since I moved to AZ. I will always remember the fun times we had together.*

*Corky##imported-begin##Corky Hintz##imported-end##*

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September 22, 2008 at 09:24 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I have many happy memories of attending school with Earlis. I especially enjoyed spending time with all the cousins at the family reunion held in Valley City a few years ago.##imported-begin##Donna E. Potratz##imported-end##

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September 22, 2008 at 04:28 PM



“ Lynn,  
Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time.  
Carmen, Jacob and Madeline Waldo##imported-begin##Carmen Waldo##imported-end##

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September 22, 2008 at 04:25 PM



“ Lynn, I am so sorry for you and your family. If your mom was anything like you she had a sparkle and a wit that you'll enjoy in your memories and stories for the rest of your lives. God bless you with His love!##imported-begin##Paula Johnston##imported-end##

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September 22, 2008 at 11:47 AM



“ Christl, Al and family:  
Was sorry to hear about your mother. Just wanted you to know you are in our thoughts as you go through this week. I am sorry we won't be able to get down there, but we are thinking of you.  
Mike and Michelle Such##imported-begin##Mike Such##imported-end##

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September 22, 2008 at 10:03 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear about Earlis. You have my deepest Sympathies. I just don't think I will be able to make it. Cody Enjoyed you so much at the Meat Market. You are in our thought and prayers. Cody and Earlis are singing with the Lord. God Bless you and Your family. Jennifer Kohler###imported-begin##Jennifer Kohler###imported-end##

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September 21, 2008 at 08:23 PM



“ Dear Bill, George and I are so sorry to hear the news of Earlis. We are praying for strength to move forward at this very difficult time of sorrow. You are in our thoughts daily. with Love, George & Laurie###imported-begin##George & Laurie Straub###imported-end##

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September 21, 2008 at 04:19 PM



“ Bill and family: So sorry to hear of your loss. I talked to Earlis at the grocery store not to long ago, she was going to get her hair cut that day, said it had been 2 months since she left the farm. I really enjoyed our visit that day. Bill you be sure to stop in and see us when your coming and going this direction, I can always put on another plate. Take care everyone and cherish the many memories you have. The Gullickson's, Scott,Wendy,Sara and Jenna###imported-begin##Wendy Gullickson###imported-end##

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September 21, 2008 at 11:54 AM