



Frances June Yokom

June 4, 1929 - July 18, 2025

Frances' funeral service will be viewable at <https://vimeo.com/event/5267535>

Frances June Yokom, 96, Valley City, North Dakota passed away peacefully, surrounded by family and friends, at SMP Health-St. Raphael, Valley City on July 18, 2025. Her funeral service will be held 11 am Thursday, July 24, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Valley City. Visitation will be one hour before the service at the church. Burial will be in the Mapleton Cemetery, Mapleton, North Dakota.

Frances June Grindberg was born June 4, 1929, at Mapleton, the daughter of Clarence and Elizabeth (Lutes) Grindberg. She attended school at Mapleton and was a member of the class of 1947. Frances was united in marriage to Harry "Dwane" Yokom on June 23, 1948. They farmed near Mapleton until they moved in 1950 to Tower City, ND where they farmed for 30 years. Before they retired in 1980, they moved to Valley City in 1976. They spent their summers at West McDonald Lake in MN. Dwane passed away November 27, 1999.

She was a member of the Weimer Homemakers for over 65 years. Frances was also a member of the Eagles Auxiliary holding most of the offices except president. She was named Mrs. Eagles and honored for Eagles Auxiliary Volunteer of the Year. As a member of the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary board, she helped form the "Comfort Room" for the families when a loved one was dying. Also, during her time on the board, they helped the hospital get a CT scanner

and items the hospital needed. Frances was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, WELCA and quilters.

Frances could always find time for coffee, cards, goodies and good friends.

“God bless you all, it has been a good and rewarding life.”

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, daughter Paula Pommerer, brothers James and George, and an infant sister.

Frances is survived by two sons Gerald (Julie) Yokom and Tim (Amy) Yokom;

a daughter Virginia (Bob) Nelson, all of Valley City; a son-in-law Ron

Pommerer, Oriska; 12 grandchildren Nick and Kassandra Yokom, Laura

Yokom (Jase Anderson), Angela (Todd) Reed, Jerrod (Lisa) Yokom, Tyler

Yokom, Mason (Becky) Nelson, Ross Nelson (Racheal Storbeck), Shelby

Nelson (Mike Crandall), Chelsy Nelson (Ryan Ehli), Ryan (Katie) Pommerer,

Rick (Susie) Pommerer and Renee (Drew) Larson; 28 great grandchildren and

10 great great grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters-in-law Carol

Grindberg and Shirley Grindberg; and many nieces and nephews.

A special thank you to the staff in the “Cottage” at St. Raphael for their care that gave Frances and to the wonderful caring staff of HIA Hospice.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Oliver-Nathan

Funeral Chapel, Valley City. An online guestbook is available at www.olivernathanchapel.com

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Cemetery Details

Mapleton Cemetery

Mapleton, ND 58059

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church
499 - 4th Ave. NW
Valley City, ND

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - July 23, 2025 at 01:15 PM



“ *Oliver - Nathan Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Frances June Yokom* ”

 Tribute Video



Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - July 21, 2025 at 11:25 AM

SW

“ We became friends with “Mom Yokom” through Son Gerry & Daughter-in-law Julie Yokom. We enjoyed many conversations with her over the years. She will be missed by many in the community, but God has brought her to a Heavenly Home where her spirit can remain in God’s Glory!

Shelley (Hanson) Williamson - July 24, 2025 at 09:24 AM

CO

“ Thoughts and prayers to you and your family. We have missed her at our Eagles and Mercy Hospital Auxiliary meetings. She was always willing to help out. Cheryl Olson

Cheryl Olson - July 23, 2025 at 04:04 PM

DO

“ 4-H Achievement Days always found Frances in the stands or walking among the exhibits for her grandchildren and great grandchildren but also for the many other exhibits. We missed her presence this year! She was knowledgeable and interested in everything. Bless the memories you have of all of her years.... tuck those memories deep in your hearts to remember the heritage she leaves to you.

Durward and Phyllis Otterness - July 23, 2025 at 10:29 AM

LD

“ May loving memories comfort you today and warm your hearts in years to come. Judith Maxson and Laurie Drewlow daughters of Maryjane Lutes Saunders. Frances and Maryjane were cousins.

Laurie Drewlow - July 23, 2025 at 08:49 AM

CF

“ Carol and family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Frances June Yokom.



Carol and family - July 22, 2025 at 01:08 PM

PO

“ On behalf of the Barnes County Homemakers of Tomorrow, we extend our sincere sympathy to Frances' family, friends and Homemaker friends. Until very recently Frances was a very active part of the county homemakers program, meetings, trips, and as an officer. What enthusiasm she shared !

Phyllis Otterness - July 21, 2025 at 06:55 PM

PZ

“ My mother, Oliver Zerface, was in Weimer Homemakers..Paula and I would play together at this wonderful meetings filled with instructions for better homemaking, lots of laughter, and of course lunch. I have the table cloth signed by all the members given to mom when we moved in 1962. Frances name is on it. Mom died 8 years ago, I wonder if Frances was the last member to pass.

Peggy A Zerface - July 20, 2025 at 03:39 PM

BD

“ *My sincere sympathy to the Yokum family. I remember Frances from my days of going to church at Minnie Lake Lutheran Church. Paula was one of my Sunday School teachers. Sincerely Beth Byberg Dreher*

Beth Dreher - July 20, 2025 at 01:08 PM