



Mavis Strinden

April 1, 1923 - October 20, 2020

Mavis (Nordgaard) Strinden, 97, Valley City, ND formerly Litchville, ND passed away on October 20, 2020 at The Legacy Place, Valley City.

Visitation will be from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Saturday, October 24, 2020 at Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel in Valley City. In this age of the COVID pandemic, a private family ceremony will be held in Litchville Cemetery.

Mavis Elaine Nordgaard was born on April 1, 1923 in Valley City to Obert Nordgaard and Ellen (Rodin) Nordgaard. She was baptized in Ringsaker Lutheran Church, rural Hastings, ND and confirmed at Spring Creek Lutheran Church, Hastings. She attended grade school at the Brown District #37 Rural School and grades six through twelve at Hastings School. She attended Valley City State Teachers College and taught school in Dawson, ND and Hastings.

Mavis married Theron L. Strinden on August 20, 1944 at Spring Creek Lutheran Church in Hastings. They made their home in Litchville during their 66 years of marriage. Theron passed away on March 3, 2011.

Mavis was a member of First Lutheran Church in Litchville. Over the years, she taught Sunday school and served as Sunday School Superintendent. Mavis served on the church council and held many ELCA offices, including conference offices. She served with the church quilting group for over 30 years. During the years Theron served in State Legislature and she volunteered at the State Historical Society. Mavis was a founding member of the Litchville Museum and Historical Society and chaired its Board for many

years. In her earlier years, she was a 4-H Leader and member of the Litchville Homemakers Club. She enjoyed handwork such as knitting, crocheting and quilting. Mavis was active in many community projects and chaired numerous boards and committees. She worked at the Strinden Hardware store for 25 years following her children's graduations from High School and enjoyed serving the community.

Mavis is survived by daughter, Marna (Suresh) Ramnath, Toledo, Ohio; son, Steven (Cheryl) Strinden Fargo, North Dakota; grandchildren, Maia and Monica Ramnath and Marie (Nick) Jensen and Michael (Leah) Strinden; great granddaughter, Miriam Adventure Jensen; sister, Marilyn (Luther) Kristensen and many nieces and nephews.

Mavis was preceded in death by her husband and parents; sister, Evelyn (Ralph) Bartz and brother, Marvin (Marjorie) Nordgaard.

Mavis' family would like to thank The Legacy Place and their staff for the care and compassion given to Mom these last few years of her life.

Memorials may be directed to First Lutheran Church, Litchville or the Litchville Museum and Historical Society.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City, ND. An online guestbook can be found at olivernathanchapel.com

Cemetery Details

Litchville Cemetery

Litchville, ND

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Traditions Funeral Services - Oliver Nathan Funeral Chapel

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Tribute Wall



J Dahl

“ Steve, I was deeply saddened to hear of your mother’s passing. I was so lucky to have been able to spend a couple days with both her and your dad shortly after we married introducing my wife to Litchville, and two people I will always have the greatest admiration for. It was a year after they’d come to nw Illinois, to our wedding, and not long before loosing your dad. I’d stayed in touch with your mom, and introduced our son to Litchville (including the museum, which I was given the keys to) this summer, but frustratingly couldn’t stop in Valley to visit. I’d spoken with your mom, every so-often, and last, late this summer, she remained so very sharp and optimistic. She was an incredible lady, who only made this world a better place, and I speak of both of your parents often, especially to our son, who’s 11 now. I miss them both greatly, neither will ever be replaced. You, Marina, and your entire family have my deepest sympathies. And wish we could have been with you during such a difficult time. What a remarkable life lived.

J Dahl - November 01, 2020 at 11:59 PM



MR

Thank you so much for being a special part of the lives of both Mom and Dad. They loved the times spent with you. I always heard about those special days. Thank you! Marna

Marna Ramnath - November 04, 2020 at 09:07 PM

JK

“ I hadn't really seen Mavis since her auction sale in Litchville until my Mom was ready to leave the farm and move to assisted living. We stopped at Legacy and Mavis was one of the first people we saw. She was on her way to Bingo, but graciously offered to let us look at her apartment to get an idea of what the rooms were like. We took her up on her offer and still got her to Bingo on time, she was serious about her Bingo!! Pre Covid times I would see her most every weekend when I visited Mom and we shared time at the jigsaw puzzle table and I was so happy to have that time with her. She was a sweet lady and I took to calling her "Sweetie". Post Covid I did not get to see her until about a month before her passing. I was at Legacy to visit Mom (Faye) and as I was leaving I saw Mavis. I looked around and didn't see any staff so with both of us suitably masked I gave her a hug and a pat on the hand and said "Hi Sweetie". She told me she was having some health issues and running out of energy and just couldn't walk very far without being tired out. She seemed very accepting of the fact that it was ok to be tired at age 97. I gave her one more quick hug and told her I loved her as I wasn't sure I would see her again. I just found out today she had passed away. She was a treasure to many people and I am so glad to have shared some time with her. She had the best smile and laugh!! She truly was a "Sweetie". Jan Krenz

Jan Krenz - October 31, 2020 at 06:53 PM

MR

Thanks, Jan. She always looked forward to those times with you!
Marna

Marna Ramnath - November 04, 2020 at 09:10 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Mavis Strinden's Graveside Service



Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - October 24, 2020 at 04:35 PM



Thank you so much for sharing her service.

J Dahl - November 02, 2020 at 12:03 AM

CB

“ Marna so sorry to hear of your Moms passing. Hugs and prayers.

Cleo Bachmeier - October 23, 2020 at 09:39 AM

MR

Thank you for all the love and good wishes and sweets you sent to Mom these passed years. She appreciated it very much!

Marna Ramnath - November 04, 2020 at 09:11 PM

NC

“ We met Mavis in the early 70’s when her daughter Marna, son-in - law Suresh and granddaughters Maia and Monica moved to Toledo, Ohio where we live.

Over the years Mavis would spend time in Toledo with Marna celebrating birthdays, holidays and special occasions, and we would always spend time with her. When my mother died in 2002 Mavis told me I could call her ‘Mom’ and I often did.

Her beautiful smile, sparkling eyes and very proper lady-like laugh could fill any room she was in with joy.

I am sure that God was at the Gates of Heaven to welcome her home. We love you and will miss you.

Nancie

Nancie & Lachman Chablani - October 22, 2020 at 05:34 PM

MR

How she and Dad loved those times!

Marna Ramnath - November 04, 2020 at 09:12 PM

JM

“ My husband Darrell Maasjo worked for Strinden's as a Ford and John Deere mechanic for 8 yrs. We bought Alfred Strinden's house and Theron and Mavis lived 1 block south of us. Saw Mavis at the store often and other places in the small town of Litchville.

Sympathy to her family and friends.

Darrell and Judy Maasjo, Madison, MN

Judy Maasjo - October 22, 2020 at 10:36 AM

WS

Sympathy to the family of Mavis. She was a really nice lady. Wade Smith and family.

Wade Smith - October 26, 2020 at 08:08 PM

MR

Thanks, Wade. She and Dad thought a lot of you and your family!

Marna Ramnath - November 04, 2020 at 09:14 PM

MR

Judy, those were wonderful times! Thank you for your thoughts and memories.

Marna Ramnath - November 04, 2020 at 09:15 PM

JK

“ I am so sorry to read about your mom, Steve.

John Korsmo - October 22, 2020 at 08:43 AM

PM

“ Sending my sincere sympathy to Mavis’ family. A cherished memory is working with Mavis at Strinden’s Hardware taking inventory in the Houseware department. We found some strange items, mostly parts for obsolete small kitchen appliances. Mavis would help by having me list these oddities on the inventory form as a “Thingamajig” or “Whatchamacallit”. We had many chuckles together during that time. Mavis was a kind, patient and fun woman to work for.

Blessings, Pam Hanson Matekovic (Ken and Dorie’s daughter)

Pam Hanson Matekovic - October 21, 2020 at 09:08 PM

MR

Thanks, Pam. Mom loved those years in the store. It makes me smile to think of the two of you giggling over the “thingamajigs” and “Whatchamacallits”! (I remember my days of doing inventory too, but I got stuck with nails and bolts and “stuff”! I think you had the better deal)!

Marna Ramnath - November 04, 2020 at 09:19 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mavis Strinden.*



October 21, 2020 at 07:09 PM



“ *Years ago on the farm we shopped Litchville ND .*

I visited Strindens Hardware. The importance of a man out east

don't know for sure though The Old Man never back then knew who he was

Short wire glasses must have been his sons next to him?

The respects however now for the Strindens wife of the man that left town?

He a Republican educator not a Machinery salesman or farmer..

My regards

*Gary L Johnson
North Fargo ND*

Gary L Johnson - October 21, 2020 at 05:23 PM



Thank you for your thoughts and memories.

Marna Ramnath - November 04, 2020 at 09:20 PM