

## Gelene Ann Hemminger

November 24, 1948 - December 17, 2021

Gwinner, ND: The memorial service for Gelene Hemminger will be 1:00 p.m. Thursday, December 23, 2021 at the GA Lutheran Church of Gwinner. Rev. Jaime Decker will officiate. Memorial visitation will be 6-7:00 Wednesday at the church, concluding with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service. Gelene passed away unexpectedly Friday, December 17, 2021 at her home in Gwinner at the age of 73.

Gelene Ann Gerszewski was born November 24, 1948 in Thief River Falls, MN to Herman Vincent and June Virginia "Ginny" (Hartje) Gerszewski. As a youngster, she moved with her family to Fargo and later to Grand Forks, ND. She graduated from St. Michael High School in Grand Forks. Gelene continued her education at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks.

In 1974, Gelene moved to Gwinner, ND. She started working for Bobcat and continued with them until retiring on December 12, 2008. On July 15, 1977 she was united in marriage with Blair Eugene Hemminger in Forman. They made their home in Gwinner, where they both were employed at Bobcat.

Gelene was a true outdoors person. She loved nature and taking long hikes. In her younger years she had enjoyed hunting. Fishing brought her the greatest enjoyment, and she usually out fished anyone that was with her. Her hands were usually busy, whether gardening, working

on a craft project, sewing or reupholstering. She loved spending time visiting with friends, or just being with her family, especially her grandchildren. For a number of years, she and Blair have enjoyed trips to Alaska where they fished and did a lot of sightseeing. For a number of years she served as the treasurer for SOAR Union. She was always willing to lend a helping hand making meatballs for the annual GA Lutefisk Feed.

Grateful for having shared her life are her husband of 44 years, Blair Hemminger of Gwinner; her four children: John (Korina) Evans of Black Hawk, SD; Cindy Brazee of Garretson, SD; Regina Jochim of Forman, ND; Blaine (Jessica) Hemminger of Jamestown, ND; eight grandchildren: Carol Evans, John Evans, Jr., Natalie Brazee, Carson Brazee, Jackson Jochim, Loden Jochim, Braden Hemminger, Kylie Hemminger; a great-granddaughter, Brynnleigh Evans; and eight siblings: John (Mary) Gerszewski of Duluth, MN; Teresa Gerszewski of Duluth, MN; Vince Gerszewski of Dalton, MN; Dan Gerszewski of Grand Forks, ND; Brad (Sandy) Gerszewski of Grand Forks, ND; Bart (Linda) Gerszewski of Grand Forks, ND; Fay Dasmarias of Grand Forks, ND; and Julie (John) Lacrosse of Paradise, AZ.

Preceding her in death were her parents.

Her arrangements have been entrusted to the Price Funeral Chapel of Forman, ND.

Condolences may be directed to the family in care of Blair Hemminger – Box 306 – Gwinner, ND 58040.