

Carol Mitskog, 94, of Moorhead, MN, died Monday, December 29th, 2025, at Lilac Homes of Moorhead.

Carol Jeanette Odegaard was born August 20th, 1931, in Garborg Township, rural Wyndmere, North Dakota, to John and Christine (Golberg) Odegaard. She attended grade school near Wyndmere and graduated from Wyndmere High School.

Carol attended Valley City State Teacher's College and taught school in Garborg Township for two years. She later attended the Gale Institute in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and worked for Pioneer Airlines in Houston, Texas.

Carol married Arlington Mitskog on September 20th, 1952, in Gol-Aal Lutheran Church, rural Wyndmere. They farmed for one year before moving to Decorah, Iowa, where Arlington pursued his education at Luther College in preparation for the ministry.

In 1957, they moved to Moorhead, Minnesota, where they both attended Concordia College. During that time, Carol also worked at St. Luke's (Sanford) Hospital in Fargo.

In 1959, they moved to St. Paul, Minnesota, where Arlington attended Luther Seminary. During that time, Carol worked as office secretary at St. Timothy Lutheran Church. Following graduation, Arlington was ordained into the ministry of the American Lutheran Church. They served parishes in Cogswell, Sharon, Harvey, and Buxton, all in North Dakota.

Carol faithfully supported her husband's ministry through years of dedicated service to the church. She was an active member of Ladies Aid, where she offered her time, care, and encouragement to others, and she coordinated council celebrations that brought the church community together. Carol participated regularly in Bible studies, deepening her faith and strengthening those around her. Above all, she held her family together with love and devotion, creating a steady home that allowed Arlington to devote more time and energy to his calling in the ministry.

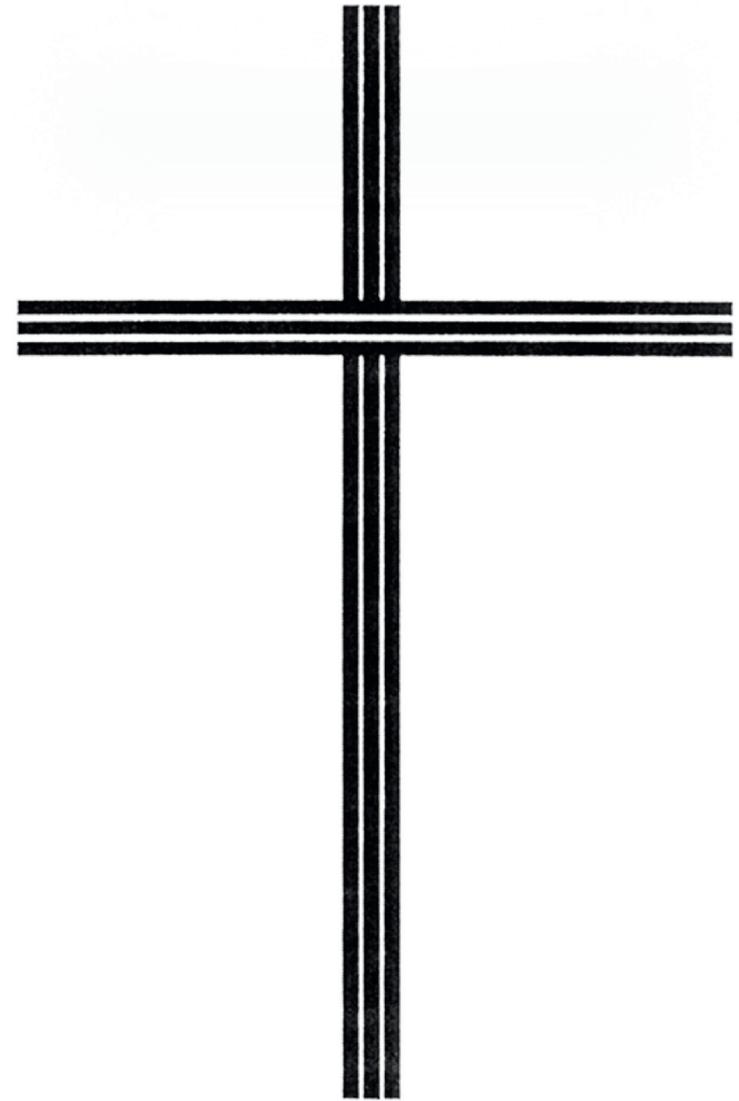
Following retirement, they moved to Fargo, North Dakota and later Moorhead, MN.

Carol cherished her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, whose presence always brightened her smile. She will be greatly missed.

Carol is survived by her daughters, Marne Mitskog (Fargo), and Karen (Warren) Skalicky, Horace, ND; daughter-in-law, Deb Mitskog (Sid Berg), Colfax, ND; grandchildren, Matthew Mitskog, Colfax, ND, Hannah (Trevor) Doll, Mandan, ND; Jesse (Tasha) Skalicky, Horace, ND; and great-grandchildren Elliot and Kolsen Doll, and Cambrie Skalicky.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arlington; son, Mark; her parents and siblings.

2Timothy4:6-7 For I am already on the point of being sacrificed; the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race. I have kept the faith.



Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

(Bud and Carol used this verse every morning for many years as part of their morning devotions.)



The Resurrection

1 Corinthians 15: 20-23

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order. Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

1 Thessalonians 4: 16-18

And the dead in Christ will rise first; then we who are alive, who are left, shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and so we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, comfort one another with these words.



In Loving Memory of

Carol J. Mitskog

August 20, 1931 - December 29, 2025

Services

Hanson-Runsvold Funeral Home - Fargo, North Dakota

Saturday, January 3, 2026 2:00 PM

Pastor Jessica McEvers, **Officiant**

Bill Tweten, **Pianist**

Arlington Mitskog Recording

"The Lord's Prayer"

Trio

Janet Kub - Vickie Kub - LaVonne Nokleberg

"Jesus Loves Me"

Hymns

"This is My Father's World"

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #630

"Amazing Grace" #343

"Hallelujah Chorus"

Pallbearers

Steve Thiel ~ Rodney Braaten ~ Trevor Doll

Warren Skalicky ~ Matthew Mitskog ~ Jesse Skalicky

All are invited for a reception following the service.

Inurnment (at a later date)

Gol-Aal Cemetery - Rural Wyndmere, North Dakota