

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# *Evelyn Lucille Hilbrands*

WHO WAS BORN  
November 16, 1936  
Milbank, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME  
December 2, 2022  
Milbank, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE  
Friday, December 9, 2022 - 2:00 p.m.  
Emanuel Lutheran Church  
Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT  
Reverend Tim Rynearson

MUSICIAN  
Kristy Tostenson, Organist

CASKET BEARERS  
Chad Wollschlager | Spencer Hilbrands | Cullen Pederson  
Nick Randall | Josh Randall | Ryan Hilbrands | Tanner Meagher

HONORARY BEARERS  
Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

INTERMENT  
Milbank City Cemetery  
Milbank, South Dakota

APPRECIATION  
Evy's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Immediately following the funeral service, please join the family in the church dining room for a time of fellowship and refreshments. The graveside service will be held at 3:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to join the family at Speedway Grill (porch) following the burial.

ARRANGEMENTS BY  
Mundwiler Funeral Home

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand: one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it:

"Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me,"



The Lord replied, "My son, my precious child, I LOVE YOU and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints.

*It was then that I carried you."*

*E*velyn Lucille (Thompson) Hilbrands was born on November 16, 1936, in Milbank, SD. She was the daughter of Harry and Maude (Rickard) Thompson of rural Twin Brooks, SD. Evelyn was the youngest of five children. She was baptized and confirmed at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Milbank. She received her elementary education in Twin Brooks Rural School and graduated from Milbank High School with the Class of 1954.

Evelyn was united in marriage with Orville Hilbrands on November 27, 1954. They were blessed with three children: Steven, Linda, and Jeffrey.

Orville and Evy farmed hand-in-hand throughout the years of raising their family. Evelyn worked as a waitress for 38 years at Trevett's Café. She enjoyed her customers and co-workers. She loved working for the Trevett family.

Orville and Evy farmed until 2000, then retired and purchased a home in Milbank. Evy enjoyed baking and gardening and canning her produce. Her family was her pride and joy, especially the grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved playing Dominoes and Farkle with them. She enjoyed watching and cheering for the Minnesota Twins. She delivered church bulletins to the nursing homes and with Orville's help, delivered Meals on Wheels.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband of 68 years, Orville Hilbrands of Milbank, SD; her children: Steven (Liz) Hilbrands of Milbank, SD; Linda Yates (fiancé, Kevin Mayfield) of Powell, WY; Jeffrey Hilbrands of Milbank, SD; and Richard (Denise) Randall of Fargo, ND; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; one sister, LaVonne Schneck of Milbank, SD.

Evy was preceded in death by her parents: Harry and Maude; one great-granddaughter, Tanlie Warner; two brothers: Dale Thompson and Vernon Thompson; and one sister, Margie Thompson.

# *Remembering* T H E L I F E O F



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1936 - 2022