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.

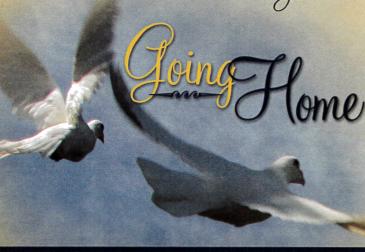
This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it:

"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."



# In Loving Memory Kathy Phillips

Born to Dominik and Sophia Chewerda May 10, 1945 ~ Altfraunhofen, Germany

Returned to Her Heavenly Father
May 28, 2023 ~ Williston, North Dakota

#### **Funeral Mass**

Thursday, June 1, 2023, 11:00 AM St. Joseph's Catholic Church Williston, North Dakota

# Officiating

**Father Russell Kovash** 

#### Readers

Emily Kleppen Tom Chewerda

#### Music

"Be Not Afraid" "Be Thou My Vision"
"Hallelujah" "Ave Maria" "Amazing Grace"

Accompanist
Emily Driscoll

#### **Pallbearers**

Jason Phillips Steve Larson Tom Chewerda Bill Jacobs Mike Larson

## Gift Bearers

Kay Jacobs Melanie Griggs Rose Ough

## Final Resting Place

Riverview Cemetery ~ Williston, North Dakota

## Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home Williston, North Dakota



In Loving Memory Of

Katherine "Kathy" Phillips

May 10, 1945 - May 28, 2023





Katherine "Kathy" Phillips, 78, of Williston, ND passed away on Sunday, May 28, 2023 at CHI St. Alexis Health in Williston, ND with her children nearby.

Born to Dominik and Sophia Chewerda on May 10, 1945 in Altfraunhofen, Germany, Kathy immigrated with her parents, brother and sister to America in 1949 under the sponsorship of the late Harvey and Eileen Monson of Alexander, ND. Her family then

moved and made their home in Williston.

Kathy graduated from Williston High School in 1963. She then moved to Minot and graduated from Sisters of St Francis School of Nursing at St. Joseph's Hospital in 1969. During her time in school, she met the love of her life, James (Jim) Phillips from Allentown, PA, who was stationed at Minot Air Force Base.

Kathy and Jim married on June 10, 1965 starting their own family in Minot with their children Jason and Jana. The family eventually moved to Williston during the oil boom of 1980. This move provided her a 31-year career at Mercy Hospital as a Registered Nurse, retiring in 2010. While her husband held a longtime career with the City of Williston and Cemetery before his retirement.

Kathy thoroughly enjoyed her career as a nurse and the connections she made. Outside of work, she wholeheartedly ran the household, supported her children in school, various activities, and life in general. Family time was precious to Kathy. Sundays and Holidays were a huge time to gather with immediate and extended family. You may not get a word in edgewise, but the time was well spent and wonderful memories were made. Time with her siblings, especially later in life, was something she truly cherished. The love for her children was expressed daily.

The love and companionship she shared with her husband Jim was unmatched. Many long road trips to visit family on the East coast and many smaller trips to nearby places such as their annual trip to Medora, shopping in Minot, and many other nearby small towns. It didn't matter where, as long as they were together.

Kathy is survived by her son, Jason of Williston, ND; daughter, Jana of Minot, ND; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and Grandma's good boy...Toby. Kathy was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 53 years, Jim; parents, Dominik and Sophia Chewerda; brother, Roger Chewerda; sister, Bernadette Larson; and brother, Tony Chewerda.

She will be greatly missed by her children and remaining family members. We take comfort in knowing she is no longer suffering in pain and grief.

