



My flesh and  
my heart fail; but  
is the strength of my *God*  
heart  
and my portion forever.

- Psalm 73:26

## *In Celebration of Irene C. Freed*

*Born to Harold & Lillian Gravos*

October 19, 1944

Williston, North Dakota

*Returned to Her Heavenly Father*

July 12, 2024

Williston, North Dakota

*Celebration of Life*

Thursday, July 18, 2024 at 11:00 AM

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home Chapel

Williston, North Dakota

*Officiating*

Marti Pankowski



*Special Music*

"No Hard Feelings"

Nicholas Bailey ~ Vocalist

*Music*

"Lead Me Home"

"The Older I Get"

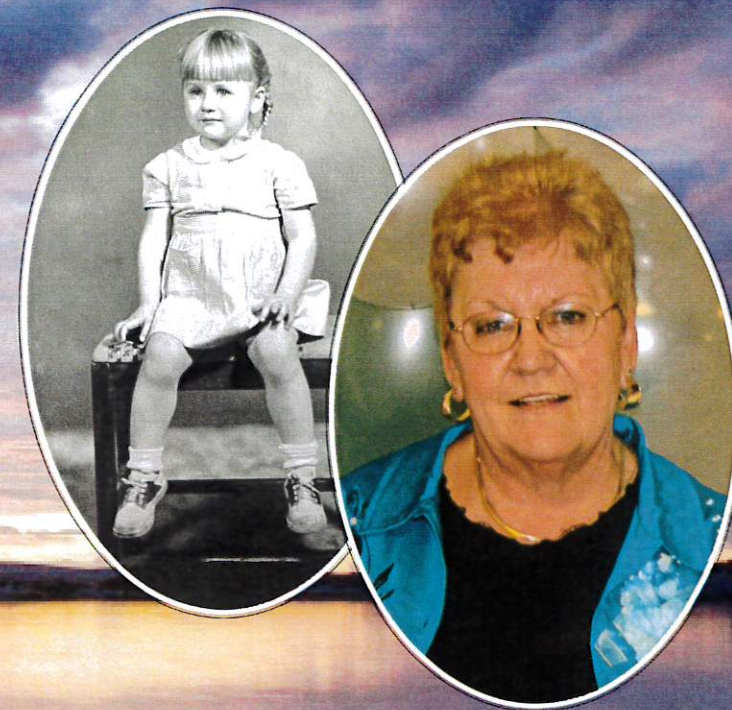
"When I Get Where I Am Going"

"Go Rest High On That Mountain"

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*Fishing in Heaven*



*Irene Caroline Freed*



*Irene Caroline Freed (Gravos) was born in Williston, ND on October 19th, 1944, to Harold and Lillian Gravos. She was raised on the family farm 10 miles south of Arnegard. She was the first of six children including siblings Judy, Ralph, Duane, Lynn and Harlan.*



*Right out of high school Irene would meet Richard Freed; they united in marriage and went on to have 6 children of their own, Collette, Richard (Scott), Alan, Stacy, Aaron and Corey Freed. Irene was later blessed with several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.*

*Irene loved being a grandmother and found great pride in it, her grandchildren adored her just the same.*

*Throughout the years Irene would work at the Opportunity Foundation with the mentally challenged*



*and she would also cook for several years at the Heritage Center. She and Richie ran the Texaco Station in Watford City and had a trucking company. She loved cooking, as well as gardening, canning/pickling veggies and making hard candies throughout the holiday season.*

*Irene loved to fish and enjoyed spending time with her friends. She had many friends, but one she held very dearly, Mrs. Bonnie Clark.*



*There was rarely a dull moment with Irene around, she would bring lots of laughs. She had a great sense of humor which held true until her passing.*

*Irene is preceded in death by her parents Harold and Lillian Gravos; brothers, Ralph, Duane and Harlan Gravos; daughter, Stacy Freed; son, Richard (Scott) Freed; and grandsons, Kolby and Logan Freed.*

*Irene is survived by her daughter, Collette Bailey and her children, Natashia Larsen & Nicholas Bailey; son, Alan Freed (Kristy) and his children, Scott & Zach Freed; son, Aaron Freed and his children, Nathan & Zarin Freed; son, Corey Freed; sister, Judy Opsta; brother, Lynn Gravos, along with several great-grandchildren.*



*Five Generations!*

Don't think of her as gone away -  
her **JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN**,  
life holds so many facets -  
this earth is only one.

Just think of her as resting  
from the sorrows and the tears  
in a place of *warmth*  
**AND COMFORT**  
where there are no days and years.

Think how she must be wishing  
that we could know today  
how nothing but our sadness  
can really pass away.

In the *Hearts* of those she touched  
And think of her as living  
For nothing loved is ever lost -  
And she was loved so much.  
- Ellen Brenneman