

Vivian America Illerbrun was born in Alida Saskatchewan, Canada on April 26, 1940, the daughter of Eddie and Nellie Burns. She was raised and educated on the Farm South of Alida, Saskatchewan until she was 12 yrs of age. At that time her family moved to Glen Ewen.

Vivian married the Love of her Life, Gerald Joseph Illerbrun on July 17, 1957. They celebrated their 61<sup>st</sup> Anniversary in 2018. To this union two sons were born, Bryan Lynn and Wyatt Justin.

Vivian and Jerry lived in Estevan where they established Rocket Sales in 1967. Vivian also owned and operated a Beauty Salon in Estevan. Her first Beauty Salon was set up by her and her parents in the Family Hotel in Glen Ewen.

Vivian and Jerry moved to Williston in 1977, and established a branch of Rocket Sales there. They owned and operated their business until 1999 when they sold the business and retired.

Vivian and Jerry lived in the Bahamas in the winter months and lived in Williston during the summer months until 2009, when they moved to Mission, Texas. In 2011 they built a home in Mission and lived there permanently.

Vivian enjoyed doing crafts, quilting and knitting/crocheting. Vivian formed a group of women who sewed quilts for cancer patients in Mission out of her home. Vivian also enjoyed bowling, curling, golfing, cards and much more. She loved to entertain and cook. Every Christmas, Vivian would make a huge supper for her family and their close friends. She spent many summers with her grandchildren. She was very much a people person.

Vivian was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Williston and Our Lady of Guadalupe, while living in Mission, TX. She was active in Alter Society, Catholic Daughters and Ladies Petroleum Club.

Vivian is survived by her son, Wyatt Illerbrun and his daughter April; brother, Bobby (Donna) Burns; sister, Marilyn (Dennis) Stovin; grandsons, Jonathan Illerbrun, Jeremy (Rhonda) Illerbrun and their children, Makayzia, Ryleigh, Matt; many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Eddie and Nellie Burns; loving husband, Jerry Illerbrun; son, Bryan Illerbrun; sister, Beverly Paus.



*In Loving Memory Of*

**Vivian America Illerbrun**

**April 26, 1940 - October 3, 2019**



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."*

*These Quilts are just a few of  
Vivian's Handmade Treasures.*



## ***In Loving Memory*** **Vivian Illerbrun**



**OIL FIELD EQUIPMENT**

### **Born to Edward & Nellie Burns**

April 26, 1940

Alida Saskatchewan, Canada

### **Called Home to Her Heavenly Father**

October 3, 2019

Mission, Texas

### **Memorial Mass**

Saturday, November 16, 2019 at 11:00 am

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

Williston, North Dakota

### **Officiating**

Father Russell Kovash

### **Music**

"On Eagles Wings" & "Amazing Grace"

Kim Semenko ~ Cantor

G.P. Eleria ~ Accompanist

### **Honorary Urn Bearers**

All of Vivian's Family & Friends

### **Final Resting Place**

Riverview Cemetery

Williston, North Dakota

### **Arrangements By**

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home

Williston, North Dakota