The Watcher

She always leaned to watch for us, Anxious if we were late In winter by the window, In summer by the gate;

And though we mocked her tenderly, Who had such foolish care, The long way home would seem more safe Because she wanted there.

Her thoughts were all so full of us, She never could forget! And so I think that where she is She must be watching yet,

Waiting till we come home to her, Anxious if we are late... Watching from Heaven's window, Leaning from Heaven's gate.





In Loving Memory of



Mass of Christian Burial Monday, December 4, 2023 - 10:30 AM St. Adrian Catholic Church Adrian, Minnesota

Officiating Msgr. Richard Colletti

Lectors Dawn Boomgaarden & Jodi Erlandson

Altar Servers

Ashton Van Ede, Cole Erlandson, Danica Erlandson & Deegan Stoffel

Eucharistic Ministers

Barb Spartz Lori Stoffel Kim Kunkle

Scripture

Proverbs 3	Psalm 23
Revelation 21:1-7	John 11:23-28

Organist - Mary Scheidt Cantors - Cindy Heitkamp & Cindy Wolf

Congregational Hymns

"Here I Am, Lord" * "On Eagle's Wings" "Softly and Tenderly" * "Song of Farewell" * "Lead Me, Lord"

Casket Bearers - Grandchildren

Dallas Bullerman Tyler Bullerman Adam Bullerman Jodi Erlandson Brandi Weiss Jill Van Ede Trent Bullerman Erik Kathman JeRae Freiborg Dawn Boomgaarden Whitney Harnack Trever Stoffel

Interment

St. Adrian Cemetery Adrian, Minnesota

Following the committal service, friends are invited to join the family for food and sharing in the church fellowship hall. The family wishes to extend their sincere thanks and gratitude for the words of sympathy, gestures of caring and the kind gifts that have been given to them during this time.

Arrangements By HARTQUIST FUNERAL HOME

Marlene Ann Bullerman was born on April 25, 1936 to Russell and Eleanor (Kass) Reese in Ellsworth, Minnesota. She was raised in Nobles County and attended school at St. Adrian Catholic School in Adrian, Minnesota, graduating in 1955. During her school years, she worked in various capacities at Arnold Memorial Hospital in Adrian. On September 3, 1956, Marlene married the love of her life, Landel "Boysie" Bullerman, at St. Adrian Catholic Church. The couple first lived on a farm near Rushmore, Minnesota. In 1963, they moved their young family to the Bullerman family farm, which became their lifelong home. Marlene took pride in having a wellkept farm, beautiful flowers and a perfectly manicured lawn. She was very proud that the farm received the honor of being named a Century Farm. Marlene helped Boysie with many aspects of their farming operation. In addition to farming, the couple did millwork for Steve Neyens and Marlene enjoyed doing framing at the Wood Matt Gallery. Later in life, she worked for ten years in the housekeeping department at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne, Minnesota. Boysie preceded her in death on Thursday, April 11, 2019. Marlene continued to live in their home and kept busy and with all the varied family activities. On Thursday, November 30, 2023, Marlene joined her family in heaven while at the Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, at the age of 87 years, seven months and five davs.

Marlene was a devoted member of St. Adrian Catholic Church in Adrian, Minnesota, and was a member of the Catholic Daughters. She enjoyed volunteering for the Happy Helpers program and always looked forward to spending time with her friends when attending the Soul Friends group. She also enjoyed doing ceramics, baking bread, making Christmas cookies, taking upholstery classes, vegetable and flower gardening, and doing yardwork – especially mowing. Marlene's greatest joy was her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Every year she hosted "Cookie Day" and the kids would decorate hundreds of cookies which they could take home. She made a personalized Christmas ornament every year for every "grand" and "great". They are treasured keepsakes from Grandma. Following their 25th anniversary, she and Boysie enjoyed traveling. Marlene was very passionate and sometimes a bit strong-willed. She was most proud of her family and loved them dearly. She loved watching them grow through the years and attended as many activities and events as she could.

Marlene is lovingly survived by her five children, Tom (Trisha) Bullerman of Adrian, Bob (Lori) Bullerman of Pipestone, MN, Jayne Kathman (friend, Brett Wittry) of Sioux Falls, SD, Randy (Renee) Bullerman of Adrian, and Lori "Odie" (John) Stoffel of Luverne, MN; daughter-in-law, Toni Bullerman (friend, Keith Matthiesen) of Adrian; 13 grandchildren, Dallas (Heather) Bullerman, Brandi (Marty) Weiss, Jill (Jeremy) Van Ede, Tyler (Hilary) Bullerman, Trent (Christine) Bullerman, Ryan (Brandee) Bullerman, Adam (Teresa) Bullerman, Erik (Andrea) Kathman, JeRae Freiborg (friend, Brenton Johnson), Jodi (Derek) Erlandson, Dawn (Micah) Boomgaarden, Whitney (Eric) Harnack, and Trever (Britton) Stoffel; 31 great-grandchildren; nine siblings, Lowell (Judy) Reese of Northwood, IA, Robert (Mary) Reese of Coeur d'Alene, ID, Barb (Alan) Spartz of Luverne, Dave (Linda) Reese of Adrian, Roger (Frances) Reese of Bridgewater, SD, Alan (Marg) Reese of Rushmore, Connie (Wayne) Bentel of White Water, WI, Sharon Lorang of Minneapolis, and Kathy "Willie" and Doug Berning of Adrian; numerous nieces, nephews, family and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Landel "Boysie" Bullerman; two sons, Mike and Joseph Bullerman; son-in-law, Bill Kathman; four granddaughters, Tanya, Teresa, Tara and Vicki Bullerman; a great-grandson, Caleb Weiss; and two brothers, Jim and Dallas Reese.