

*God's finger touched her
And she slipped away
From earth's dark shadows
To a brighter day
God saw the road was getting rough
The hills were hard to climb
He gently closed her weary eyes,
And whispered, "Peace be thine"
To a beautiful garden
This friend has gone
To a land of perfect rest
Though she is gone
She still lives on
In the garden of memory*

In Loving Memory





Alwine Vetter, age 88, of Bismarck, passed away on Thursday, October 8, 2020 at CHI St. Alexius with her husband and daughter by her side.

Alwine was born to Eva (Dockter) and August Gienger in Neudorf, Odessa, Ukraine, Russia on Leap Day, February 29, 1932. She was smaller than a wine bottle. The Russian government recorded her date of birth as March 1. Between the family

migration from Russia through Poland and into Germany, her birthdate got translated to May 1. "May is a nice month, too," she told her mother.

Alwine worked several jobs in Germany including as a waitress, nanny, shoemaker, and knitter. In 1959, she and her family joined her two older sisters who had immigrated to North Dakota a few years ahead of them. She lived with her parents on Anderson Street in Bismarck with a brief stint in American Falls, Idaho. Alwine worked as a cook at the Baptist Home, walking to and from until she got her driver's license and Chevy II.

On November 29, 1969 Alwine married Elias Vetter in Linton. They adopted their daughter, Caroline, in 1974. Moving to Underwood in the spring of 1978, they remained there until moving to Bismarck in 2007. She had a green thumb, a golden spoon ("Kochlöffel"), a silver needle, and a beautiful heart. She was Eli's "fishing buddy."

Alwine is survived by her husband of 50 years, Elias; daughter, Caroline and son-in-law Tony Kozojed; grandson, Anton and granddaughter, Claire Alwine; sisters, Emma Boehm, Lilli (Melvin) Wohl, and Eva Heyne; sisters-in-law, Johanna Vetter, Isabelle (Valentine) Vetter, MaryElla Vetter, & Tillie Vetter; and many loving nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; siblings, August (Alenda), Kathe (Emanuel) Loeb, Otto, Jacob, and Adam; Eddy Boehm and Marvin Heyne as well as many additional brothers-and sisters-in-law.

Please go to www.BuehlerLarson.com to share memories of Alwine.

Private Family Rosary / Parish Vigil

Monday, October 12, 2020; 4:00 pm

Vigil President

Deacon Tony Ternes

Funeral Liturgy

Tuesday, October 13, 2020; 10:00 am

Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

519 Raymond Street, Bismarck, ND

Celebrant

Fr. Josh Ehli

Musicians

Shana Klee & Vance Krebs

Reader

Barbara Walsvik

Casketbearers

Anton Kozojed, Robert Heyne, Lee Boehm
Myron Boehm, Norman Boehm, & John Boehm

Processional Hymn

"Here I Am, Lord"

Liturgy of the Word

Opening Prayer

Old Testament

Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9

Response

Psalm 103

"The Lord is kind and merciful."

New Testament

Revelation 14:13

Gospel

John 14:1-6

Homily

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts

"Prayer of St. Francis"

Consecration of Eucharist

Communion Song

"Be Not Afraid"

Final Commendation

"Song of Farewell"

Closing Song

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

***Committal will take place at approximately 12:30 pm
at St. Anthony's Cemetery in Linton.***

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