

## *Darlene J. Anderson*

Darlene Josephine Aljoe was born November 26, 1933, in Valley City, ND, to Joseph and Elizabeth (Outram) Aljoe. She attended school in Tower City, ND, where she graduated high school. Then in 1954, she graduated from Sisters of St. Joseph's School of Nursing as a Registered Nurse. She was employed at St. Luke's Hospital (Sanford) in Fargo, ND, for 7 years. After that she began working at St. Catherine's Living Center in Wahpeton, and was employed there for 17 years. Darlene loved nursing and helping the needy. It was truly her first love.

Darlene was united in marriage to James D. Anderson in 1955 in Tower City, ND. After the couple were married, they made their home in Wyndmere, ND. The couple was blessed with two children, Jimmy and Susan.

Darlene was a crafty lady, and was known for her embroidered dish towels and other items she would make throughout the year and sell at crazy days. When they would travel or go camping, she would take her crafting along. She enjoyed the time spent with family whether it be at home or camping on Pelican Lake- where they would go and explore Tahipsina Mounds. Darlene truly enjoyed her church family, and the friends she made along the way during bible study. Being a woman true to her faith, she even served as a jail chaplain for a period of time. She never missed a moment to share God's word. She will truly be missed.

Darlene is survived by her daughter, Susan (Dean) Heitkamp; grandchildren, Bobbi Jo (Jay) McCleery, Jesse Griggs, Kyle (Tara) Anderson, Jennifer Anderson, Joshua Heitkamp (Lauren Jensen), Dustin (Jess) Heitkamp, Chelsey (Nick) Lee; great-grandchildren, John, Allison, Jaidyn, Maleia, Tessa, Brant, Bryce, Brady, Harper, Aiden, Kail, DJ, Alex, Joe, Chase, Landry, Graham, and baby A on the way; great-great-grandchildren, Carson and Macy; sister, Ardis Oettle; and many other family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Elizabeth, husband James; son, James Jr; two brothers; and one sister.

The family would like to thank Nancy Johnson, RN, CCP, Katie Tanner, PAC, and the North Dakota Veterans Home Staff for the wonderful care they provided to Darlene. They would also like to thank CHI - Essentia Hospital Staff in Lisbon for their wonderful comfort care.



*In Loving*  
M E M O R Y



*Darlene J. Anderson*

1933 - 2024



### *To Those I Love*

When I am gone, just release me, let me go -  
So I can move into my afterglow.

You mustn't tie me down with your tears;  
let's be happy that we had so many years.

I gave you my love, you can only guess  
how much you gave me in happiness.

I thank you for the love you each have shown,  
but now it's time I traveled on alone.

So grieve for me awhile, if grieve you must,  
then let your grief be comforted with trust.

It's only for a while that we must part,  
so bless the memories within your heart.

And then, when you must come this way alone,

I'll greet you with a smile and a "Welcome Home."



# *In Loving Memory of* **Darlene J. Anderson**



### *Born*

November 26, 1933 | Valley City, North Dakota

### *Passed Away*

March 4, 2024 | Lisbon, North Dakota

### *Age*

90 Years 3 Months 8 Days

### *Mass of Christian Burial*

11:00 am | Monday, March 11, 2024  
Harvest Outreach Church | Wahpeton, North Dakota

### *Officiant*

Pastor Dominick Warne

### *Accompanist*

Jaci Christensen

### *Music*

"Mansion Over Hilltop" | "Blessed Assurance"  
"Old Rugged Cross" | "I Can Only Imagine" | "On Eagles Wings"

### *Honorary Pallbearers*

Darlene's Great-Grandchildren | Bible Study Women  
All Who Called Darlene Friend

### *Pallbearers - Grandchildren*

Bobbie Jo McCleery | Jesse Griggs | Kyle Anderson | Jenny Anderson  
Josh Heitkamp | Dusty Heitkamp | Chelsey Lee

### *Interment*

Elk Creek Cemetery | Wyndmere, North Dakota