



Alice Ann Hanson, 77, passed away peacefully with family by her side on November 14, 2023 at Pelican Landing Memory Care. Alice was born on October 5, 1946 in Fargo, ND to George and Dena (Severson) Thompson. She grew up and attended grade school in West Fargo and later moved to Detroit Lakes where she attended High School.

Alice was united in marriage to Maury Hanson on September 7, 1968 when they eloped to Sisseton, SD. They built their home near Toad Lake where they had two children, Jay and Lynne.

Alice was a happy homemaker while also working various jobs including Swifts Hatchery in Frazee, cooking for local establishments, selling pull-tabs, and owning and operating the Book Nook in Detroit Lakes with her longtime friend, Janice Elijah.

In 1997, she started working in the nutritional services department at Essentia Health/St. Mary's in Detroit Lakes. She worked for 20+ years before retiring in 2020.

Alice enjoyed puzzles, reading books, traveling and spending time with family but most of all, she would never turn down a chance to play Bingo! Alice will be remembered to most as "Alley Cat", a spunky and fun-loving person with an easy-going spirit.

Alice is survived by her children, Jay Hanson and Lynne Hanson, both Detroit Lakes; grandchildren, Samantha Hanson and Danielle Hanson, daughters of Jay; and Cameron Hanson, son of Lynne; Brothers Ron Thompson, Chuck (Linda) Thompson, both Moorhead; and Larry (Sherry) Thompson, Fargo.

Alice is preceded in death by her husband Maury; her parents, George and Dena; sisters, Gayle (Carter) Viker, and Donna (Kelly) Nasset; Brother-in-law Marvin Hanson and Sister-in-law, Bert Thompson.



*Remembering  
Alice*



# Alice Ann Hanson

October 5, 1946 ~ Fargo, North Dakota  
November 14, 2023 ~ Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

## Memorial Service

Monday, November 20, 2023-11:00 a.m.  
West-Kjos Funeral Home  
Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

## Officiant

Pastor Bill Meyer

## Eulogy by

Lynne Hanson

## Musical Selections

Amazing Grace

The Dance

## Honorary Urn Bearers

Sharon Hanson

Nancy Murphy

Joyce Hanson

Vicki Hanson

Monica Hanson

Jill Westhoff

Jackie McCall Hanson

## Arrangements by

West-Kjos Funeral Home  
Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

*Feel no guilt in laughter,  
she knows how much you care.*

*Feel no sorrow in a smile  
that she's not here to share.*

*You cannot grieve forever,  
she would not want you to.*

*She'd hoped you could carry on,  
the way you always do.*

*So talk about the good times  
and the way you showed you cared*

*The days you spent together,  
all the happiness you shared.*

*Let memories surround you,*

*A word someone may say*

*Will suddenly recapture*

*a time, an hour, a day*

*That brings her back as clearly*

*as though she was here*

*And fills you with the feelings t*

*hat she is always near*

*For if you keep these moments,*

*you will never be apart*

*And she will live forever,*

*locked safely within your heart.*