

## Remembering the Life....

LaVaye Ardis Herness was born on June 3, 1941, in Fergus Falls, Minnesota the daughter of Arthur and Sarah (Mekalson) Evavold. She was baptized and confirmed in Grue Lutheran Church, attended Rural School District #285, and graduated from Battle Lake High School in 1959.

LaVaye and Morris Maudal were married on September 16, 1961, in Grue Lutheran Church. They lived in Fergus Falls and then rural Battle Lake. To this marriage five children were born, Shari, Jeffrey, Kevin, Brenda and Tammy. She was employed with Otter Tail Power Company and then the West Otter Tail County Fair Board.

LaVaye and LeWayne Herness were married on November 29, 1997, at the Mall of America in Minneapolis. They lived by Ashby, Henning and then in Battle Lake. LaVaye enjoyed playing piano, baking, sewing, gardening and she loved flowers. She was most famous for her Chocolate Chip and Aunt Sally cookies. LaVaye loved kids and loved spending time with her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

On Sunday, October 8, 2023, LaVaye passed away at Alex Assisted Living, Alexandria, Minnesota at the age of eighty-two years.

LaVaye is survived by her husband, LeWayne; five children, Shari (Dave) Laven of Osakis, Jeffrey (Karen) Maudal of Lakeville, Kevin (Amy) Maudal of New Ulm, Brenda (Phil) Frederick of Battle Lake and Tammy (Chris) Cichy of Henning; 12 grandchildren, Nicholas (Brittany) Laven, Matthew (Charnell) Laven, Andrew Maudal, Sarah (Dustin) Sauter, Michael (Rachel) Maudal, Emma Maudal, Morgan (Nate) Gesme, Jordan Frederick, Savanna (Zack) Anderson, Madison (Cole) Dorow, Macie Cichy, and Mitchell Cichy; 16 great-grandchildren, Toby, Lucy, Hadley, Molly, Boedy, and Ruthy Laven; Charlotte, Shae, and Brooks Laven; Nora, Wesley, and Greta Sauter; Sage Maudal, Isla and Oslo Gesme; Paisley Anderson; step-children, LeAnn (Rob) Walters and Lori (Jon) Davis; step grandchildren, Shaina (Lincoln) Hofmeister, Jordan Walters, Josh Walters, Drew Davis, Sareyna (Clayton) Mikelson; step great-grandchildren Kingston and Jagger Hofmeister; siblings, Sylvia (Duane) Burau, Jerome (Mary) Evavold and Darlene (Richard) Akerman; two sisters-in-laws, Joanne Evavold and Peg Evavold, and several nieces and nephews.

LaVaye was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Donald (Joyce) Evavold, Charles Evavold, Glenn Evavold, and Virgil (Vicki) Evavold.

Thank you to the staff of Alex Assisted Living and Douglas County Hospice for taking such good care of LaVaye.

Blessed be the Memory of LaVaye Herness

*Celebrating  
the Life of*



*LaVaye*

# Poem Of Life

Life is but a stopping place,  
A pause in what's to be,  
A resting place along the road,  
To sweet eternity.

We all have different journeys,  
Different paths along the way,  
We all were meant to learn some things,  
But never meant to stay...

Our destination is a place,  
Far greater than we know.  
For some the journey's quicker,  
For some the journey's slow.

And when the journey finally ends,  
We'll claim a great reward,  
And find an everlasting peace,  
Together with the Lord.

Author Unknown

Out of the Ashes/FB

*In Loving Memory Of*  
**LaVaye A. Herness**

June 3, 1941 ~ October 8, 2023

## **Funeral Service**

Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 11:00 AM  
Bethel Lutheran Church  
Battle Lake, Minnesota

## **Officiating**

Reverend Nicholas Laven

## **Music**

Brad Pribbenow, organist  
Emma Maudal & Sarah Sauter, duet  
*"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"*

## **Congregational Hymn**

*"Amazing Grace"*

## **Casketbearers**

Matt Laven ~ Andrew Maudal ~ Michael Maudal  
Jordan Frederick ~ Mitchell Cichy ~ Tyler Akerman

## **Interment**

Inman Cemetery  
Henning, Minnesota

## **Appreciation**

LaVaye's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Please join family and friends for lunch and fellowship following the service.

## **Arrangements by**

Glende-Nilson Funeral Home ~ Battle Lake  
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