For Those I Love, For Those Who Love Me...

When I am gone, release me, let me go . .

I have so many things to see and do.

You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears, But let my spirit calm your fears,
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 travelled on alone!

So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for awhile that we must part,
So bless the memories that lie
within your heart.
I won't be far away, for life goes on.
So if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see me or touch me,
I'll be near,

And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear All of my love around you soft and clear.

And then, when you must come this way alone.

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



Marlys Irene Dehnke

September 2, 1942 ♥ July 16, 2024

FUNERAL SERVICE

Friday, July 26, 2024 11:00 AM
First Lutheran Church
Alexandria, MN

OFFICIANT

Pastor PJ Malin

SOLOIST

Jessica Snyder

PALLBEARERS

Nathan Walter Mike Schmidt David Murray John Swenson Gavin Schmidt Tyus Reinke

INTERMENT

Evergreen Cemetery Alexandria, Minnesota

Marlys Irene Dehnke, born September 2, 1942, to Henry Frey and Stena (Groniga) Frey, joined her Heavenly Father July 16, 2024, she was 81 years old. Marlys was born in Wheaton, MN, her family later moved to Villard, MN where her family owned the restaurant. She graduated from Villard High School in 1960. She married Norman Bork on June 16, 1962, and they moved to Minneapolis where she worked for Catagator as a secretary. They were blessed with 2 children, Lori and "Todd".

Marlys married David Dehnke on September 3, 1966, in Fall Creek WI. Marlys worked for her father's bar for a few years before moving to Hartford, WI where David worked for Level Valley Creamery. They then moved to Alexandria, MN. Marlys took classes to be a Medical Secretary but went to work for her friends that owned the Homestead Inn. She was later employed at Donnley Custom Molding as a secretary/receptionist and then Juno Tool. She worked for Juno Tool for 34 years until her retirement.

In her younger years, Marlys enjoyed going on motorcycle trips (driving her own motorcycle) with her brother and friends and bowling. She loved to do crossword puzzles, play bingo, plastic canvas projects and going to casinos. You could find her almost every Saturday afternoon in her "favorite spot" at the VFW for bingo. She especially loved to spend time with her children, grand-children and great grandchildren. She tried to attend as many of her grandchildrens events as possible.

She will be dearly missed by those who called her Wife, Mom, Nana, Aunt or Friend.

She is preceded in death by her parents; brother, Wayne Frey and sisters Esther Asborn and Louella "Toots" Streit; first husband Norman; parents-in-laws; and son-in-law Brad Schmidt.

Left to mourn for her are her husband David Dehnke; daughter Lori Schmidt of Alexandria, son "Todd" Bork (Monique) of St. Cloud, MN; grandchildren Tiffani (David) Murray of Kensington, MN, Nick (Carrie) Schmidt of Morris, MN and Ian Bork; great grandchildren Ezra Murray, Harlow, Huxley and Henley Schmidt; sister-in-law Joyce Frey, neices and nephews.





Marlys I. Dehnke September 2, 1942 ~ July 16, 2024