

Mildred Elizabeth Bitzan

July 19, 1931 † June 15, 2024

MASS OF CHRISITAN BURIAL

Friday, June 21, 2024 ~ 11:00 AM

St. Ann's Catholic Church

Brandon, Minnesota

OFFICIANT

Father Jeremy Theis

READERS - Tami Weber & Kevin Weber

GIFT BEARERS - Taylor & Mark Farrand

CASKET BEARERS

Dalon Bitzan

Dawson Bitzan

Brandt Bitzan

Justin Weber

Kevin Weber

Christian Weber

Aaron Singerhouse

Joe Singerhouse

Zach Bitzan

Brent Bitzan

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Brooke Bitzan

Brianna Henneman

Ali Hieb

Taylor Farrand

Rachel Martinez

Marie Martinez

Michelle Borchardt

Lindsey Mooney

Lorna Bitzan

Shanna Lillium

Josephine Bitzan

Nicole Olson

Ashley Olson

INTERMENT

St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery - Brandon, Minnesota

God saw you getting tired
and a cure was not to be;

So He put his arms around you
and whispered,

"Come with Me."

With tearful eyes we watched you suffer
and saw you fade away.

Although we LOVED YOU DEARLY
we could not make you stay.

A GOLDEN HEART stopped beating
hard working hands at rest.

God broke our hearts to prove to us

He only takes the best!

Mildred Elizabeth Bitzan, a woman of remarkable strength and unwavering dedication, passed away on June 15, 2024. Born on July 19, 1931, at her family's home in Urbank Mildred's journey was defined by love, faith, and a deep-rooted commitment to her family.

Growing up, Millie graduated from Brandon High School with a thirst for knowledge and a strong foundation for the life that awaited her. She embarked on a fulfilling career path that saw her working on the family farm where she helped milk cows and feed chickens for many years, tending to the land even in the absence of modern conveniences like electricity. Having 13 children, she sewed clothes often for herself and her children. Her resilience and hard work ethic were truly unparalleled.

Millie's culinary skills were legendary; she had a unique way of cooking by taste, ensuring that every dish she prepared was filled with love and individuality. The students at Brandon High School were lucky to have her as a cook for many years. Her prowess in the kitchen was matched only by her baking talents, leaving all those who sampled her creations in awe.

Outside of work and home, Millie found joy in volunteering at the hospital and spreading kindness wherever she went. She cherished moments spent watching her husband Don perform with his polka band, The Blue Knights, bowling with her great friends Ray and Evelyn then Bill and Donna and engaging in friendly games like Words with Friends, cribbage, and 313 with dear friends.

On September 28, 1949, Millie married the love of her life, Donald Bitzan, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Urbank. Their union was blessed with 13 children, marking the beginning of a lifetime filled with shared experiences and love.

Mildred was not just a devoted wife but also a nurturing mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother who poured unconditional love into every aspect of her life. She also had a special love for all the family pets who were an essential part of her grieving process after the passing of her beloved husband Don. Her faith was an integral part of who she was; actively involved in St. Ann's Catholic Church, she belonged to Christian Mothers, taught religion classes for young children, and exemplified grace and compassion in all she did.

As Mildred bids farewell to this world on June 15th, 2024, her memory lives on through her surviving family: loving children: Gregory Bitzan, Kathy (John) Weber, Patricia Bitzan, Don Bitzan Jr., Jean (Tom) Singerhouse, Larry (Teresa) Bitzan, John Bitzan, Mary (Dan Olson) Bitzan, Jerry Bitzan, Doug (Dawn) Bitzan, Robert (Dawn) Bitzan, Joe Bitzan, and Jen (Steve) Michels. She also leaves behind 21 cherished grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren, sister: Naomi Rodgers and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and countless friends whose lives she touched with her warmth and generosity.

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In Loving
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