

# *When I Must Leave You*

*When I must leave you for a little while  
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears  
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,  
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;  
And for my sake and in my name  
Live on and do all things the same,  
Feed not your loneliness on empty days.  
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,  
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer  
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near;  
And never, never be afraid to die,  
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*

*- Helen Steiner Rice -*

# *In Loving Memory*





**JoAnn “Kay” Stevens**, 77, Mandan, died February 14, 2018, at Sunset Drive – a Prospera Community in Mandan.

JoAnn “Kay” was born September 29, 1940, in Bismarck to Paul and Bernice (Kleinschmidt) Meidinger. She grew up in Mandan, graduating from Mandan High School in 1958. A wonderful mother, Kay raised her four children surrounded by love. On January 8, 1977, she

married the love of her life, Terry Stevens. She worked periodically as a secretary, but always as a mother. Kay was an active woman and a real go-getter. She loved fishing and camping. Family was everything to her and she took great pride in making holiday celebrations perfect. She had a spunky personality and was known to start food fights while baking with family. She treasured time with her grandchildren and was so proud when she became a great grandma.

Blessed to have shared her life are her children, Carla Fleck, Mandan, Paula (Jack) McCarthy, Leander, TX, and Michael Fleck, Mandan; four grandchildren, Kelly (Dustin) Geiger, Sean Fetzer, Jordan (Dee) McCarthy, and Kaytlyn Fleck (special friend, Brett Patzell); three great grandchildren, “her boys” Logan and Eli Geiger and Fiona McCarthy; four brothers, Leon (Myrna) Meidinger, Bismarck, Bob (MaryAnn) Meidinger, Bismarck, Bruce (Dede) Meidinger, Fargo, and Gary (Sandy) Meidinger, Mandan; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Kay was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Terry in 1994; and daughter, Lynne Fleck in 2006.

Please go to [www.BuehlerLarson.com](http://www.BuehlerLarson.com) to share memories of Kay.

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*JoAnn “Kay” Stevens*

SEPTEMBER 29, 1940 ~ FEBRUARY 14, 2018

<b>Funeral Service</b>	Monday, February 19, 2018; 10:00 AM First Lutheran Church Mandan, North Dakota
<b>Officiating</b>	Rev. Christina Martin
<b>Organist</b>	Loretta White
<b>Soloist</b>	John Hermanson
<b>Readers</b>	Kaytlyn Fleck, Granddaughter Logan Geiger, Great Grandson
<b>Casketbearers</b>	Nephews: Brian Meidinger, Greg Meidinger, Jason Meidinger, Eric Meidinger, Paul Meidinger, Grandson: Sean Fetzer

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Gathering	
Thanksgiving for Baptism	
Special Music	How Great Thou Art
Greeting	
Prayer of the Day	
Reading	Psalm 23
Reading	Matthew 11:28-30
Funeral Message	
Special Music	On Eagle’s Wings
Apostle’s Creed	
Prayers	
The Lord’s Prayer	
Commendation	
Special Music	The Lord’s Prayer

*Committal will take place at Mandan Union Cemetery following the funeral service.  
The family invites you for lunch in the Fellowship Hall  
following the burial service.*