

*Beverly* was born on November 28, 1934, in Dwight, North Dakota to Ludwig Johnson and Margaret and Peter Jacobs. She grew up in a loving home alongside her siblings Adeline Maley, Luella Baumgart, Geri Simmons, Kathy Svihl, Richard Jacobs, Virgil Johnson, Gene Johnson, and half-brother Tom Jacobs. On November 25, 1968, Beverly was united in marriage to Donald Ranuva in Minneapolis, MN. They made their home in Breckenridge, MN.

She graduated from Breckenridge High School before furthering her education at a college in Kansas City. Beverly's love for hospitality led her to pursue a career that involved caring for others. In the early 1980s, she worked at Scotwood Motel in Breckenridge and later at the Starlite Motel in Wahpeton. She always found joy in ensuring the comfort and well-being of others and extended this passion by cleaning people's homes throughout the area. Beverly worked for Service Master of Wahpeton and proudly dedicated 28 years there before retiring in 2013. Throughout most of her time cleaning and working in this field, she loved working with her daughter and together worked as an amazing team.

Beverly's dedication to serving others extended beyond her professional life. She proudly served as a typist in the United States Army from February 1959 to April 1962. Impressed by her commitment and skills, she reenlisted from May 1963 to May 1966. During her time in the army, Beverly was stationed at Fort Leavenworth in Missouri and served overseas in Germany. Her exemplary service was recognized with four stripes—a testament to her hard work and commitment.

In addition to her military service and career accomplishments, Beverly had many interests that brought joy to her life. She enjoyed spending time working on crossword puzzles, taking leisurely bike rides through scenic paths, and eagerly tuning in to watch the beloved game show, Wheel of Fortune. These hobbies were a testament to her keen intellect and love for gentle entertainment.

Family meant the world to Beverly, and she cherished the moments spent with loved ones. She was preceded in death by her father, Ludwig Johnson; her mother and step-father, Margaret and Peter Jacobs; her loving husband, Donald Ranuva; her siblings, Adeline Maley, Virgil Johnson, and Gene Johnson; and half-brother Tom Jacobs. Their memories will forever be held dear by those who knew Beverly.

Beverly leaves behind her daughter, Chrisie Ranuva, of Breckenridge, MN, who will carry on her mother's legacy of love and kindness. She is also survived by her sisters: Luella Baumgart of Detroit Lakes, MN; Geri Simmons of Gainesville, FL; Kathy Svihl of Cannon Falls, MN; as well as her half-brother Richard Jacobs of Prescott Valley, AZ. Many loving nieces and nephews also join in mourning the loss while cherishing the beautiful memories they had with Beverly.



*In Memory*  
*Beverly Joan Ranuva*

November 28, 1934—June 25, 2023



*Lord,*  
how the day passes!  
It is like a life, so  
*Quickly*  
when we don't watch it,  
and so slowly if we do.  
- *John Steinbeck*

*Celebrating*  
THE LIFE OF  
*Beverly Joan Ranuva*



**MEMORIAL SERVICE**

Joseph Vertin and Sons Funeral Home

Breckenridge, Minnesota

10:00 a.m., Monday, July 10, 2023

**OFFICIANT**

Pastor Dominick Warne

**MILITARY HONORS**

Wilkin County Honor Guard Team

Minnesota Military Honors Team

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Amazing Grace

**HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

All Who Knew & Called Beverly "Friend"

**INTERMENT**

Fairview Memorial Gardens

Wahpeton, North Dakota

*The family wishes to express their gratitude for your kind expressions of sympathy and for honoring Beverly with your presence at the service.*