



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Lorraine Rose Benesh

FEBRUARY 25, 1930 – JULY 28, 2023

Services At:

Anderson Funeral Home - Alexandria, MN
Tuesday - August 8, 2023 - 11:00 a.m.

Officiating Clergy:

Pastor Scott Keehn

Soloist:

Grace Fink

Readers:

Jennifer Fink, Marie Benesh

Song Selections:

"Here I Am Lord"
"Amazing Grace"
"In The Garden"
"It Is Well With My Soul"

Pallbearers:

Jennifer Fink, Marie Benesh, Joseph Benesh
Jessica Wymore, Cassandra Johnson
Tom Erickson, Emily Benesh

Honorary Pallbearers:

Sharon Tvrdik, Sonya Anderson, Jackie Reed
and the caring staff at Pelican Bay

Interment:

St, Mary's Cemetery
Alexandria, MN

GOD looked around the garden,
And found an empty space.

He looked down upon the earth,

And saw your tired face. He put

His arms around you

And lifted you to rest.

God's garden must be beautiful

For He only takes the **BEST.**

He knew that you were weary,
and He knew that you were in pain.

He knew that you would never
be well on earth again.

He saw the roads were getting rough,
and the hills were hard to climb.

So He closed your weary eyelids,
and whispered

Peace be Shine.

Lorraine Rose (Rajdl) Benesh was born February 25, 1930, the daughter of Joe and Rose (Kalina) Rajdl. She grew up on her parents' farm near Alexandria where she attended school through the eighth grade. After graduation, Lorraine played piano in her brother's band until she met her husband, John Benesh, at the Cottage Grove Resort on Lake Andrew near Alexandria. The two were married September 20, 1948 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Alexandria. To this union three children were born: Ronald, Darrel, and Darlene. In 1950, the couple purchased a farm near Forada, Minnesota. She lived in Hudson Township most of her life until she moved to Winona Shores in January of 2018, and later to Bethany on the Lake (Pelican Bay) in Alexandria.

Lorraine's grandchildren and great-grandchildren were very precious to her. She loved to milk cows and feed calves. She enjoyed driving tractor as well as reading books. She looked forward to attending Birthday Club and Seniors Citizens once a month. Needlework and crocheting were her specialties, making many afghans and doilies. Gardening, however, was not her favorite, but she always continued to plant on. She always said she raised many a good garden among the weeds.

On July 28, 2023, Lorraine died peacefully surrounded by love at the age of 93. She was preceded in death by her husband of sixty-six years, John; her parents, Joe and Rose Rajdl; brother and sister-in-law, Harvey and Mayme Rajdl. She is survived by her daughter Darlene Erickson and husband Scott of Forada, their children: Cassandra (Brett) Johnson, Tom (Alissa) Erickson; her son, Ronald Benesh and his wife Deb of Hackensack, and their children: Jennifer Fink, Marie Benesh (Cris Burger); son, Darrel (Janel) Benesh of Forada; and their children: Joseph (Jenny) Benesh, Jessica (Ben) Wymore, Emily Benesh (Michael Schmitt); her great-grandchildren: Grace and Anna Fink, Mackenzie Benesh, Aubree Johnson, Graham and Olivia Wymore, Oliver, Henry, Margaret, and Victoria Johnson, Ahna and Jacob Erickson; she is also survived by her Rajdl nieces: Sharon Tvrdik, Sonya Anderson, and Jackie Reed, as well as many other extended Benesh family.

