

### When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see,  
If the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with tears for me;  
I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today,  
While thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say.  
I know how much you love me, as much as I love you,  
And each time you think of me, I know you'll miss me too;  
But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand,  
That an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand,  
And said my place was ready, in heaven far above  
And that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love.  
But as I turned to walk away, a tear fell from my eye  
For all my life, I'd always thought, I didn't want to die.  
I had so much to live for, so much left yet to do,  
It seemed almost impossible, that I was leaving you.  
I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad,  
The thought of all the love we shared, and all the fun we had.  
If I could relive yesterday, just even for a while,  
I'd say good-bye and kiss you, and maybe see you smile.  
But then I fully realized, that this could never be,  
For emptiness and memories, would take the place of me.  
And when I thought of worldly things, I might miss come tomorrow,  
I thought of you, and when I did, my heart was filled with sorrow.  
But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home  
When God looked down and smiled at me, from His great golden throne.  
He said, "This is eternity, and all I've promised you.  
Today your life on earth is past, but here it starts anew.  
I promise no tomorrow, but today will always last,  
And since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past.  
You have been so faithful, so trusting and so true.  
Though there were times, you did some things you knew you shouldn't do.  
But you have been forgiven and now at last you're free.  
So won't you come and take my hand, and share my life with me?"  
So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart,  
For every time you think of me, I'm right here, in your heart.  
David M. Romano

Arrangements Entrusted To  
HARTQUIST FUNERAL HOME



**Mary Lou Arndt** was born to Oren and Rose (Wessels) Anderson on July 28, 1942 near Sheldon, Iowa. She attended country school in Floyd Township until 1953 when her family moved to a farm near Trosky, Minnesota. In 1955 the family moved to a farm near Ruthton, Minnesota. Mary graduated from Ruthton High School in 1960. After graduation she moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota and worked at Prudential Insurance. On September 16, 1962 she was united in married to Albert Arndt, Jr. at St. James Lutheran Church in Holland, Minnesota. Following their marriage Mary worked at Bayliner Marine in Pipestone, Minnesota.

In 1978 the family moved to Jasper, Minnesota and Mary continued to work at Bayliner and then at Jim's Care Cleaners for six and a half years. In 1996 she started working at Jasper Foods and then the Jasper Mini Mall where she was employed for 24 years. In May of 2021 Mary moved in with her sister, Linda in Pipestone. Mary was admitted to the Pipestone County Medical Center and on Monday, December 11, 2023, she passed away peacefully there at the age of 81.

Mary was a member of the Jasper Evangelical Lutheran Church. She enjoyed putting puzzles together, reading, and spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

She is lovingly remembered by her daughter, Marsha (Greg) Anderson of Jordan, Minnesota; her son, Daniel Arndt of Sauk Rapids, Minnesota; son-in-law, Loren Larson of Kingman, Arizona; seven grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren; her sisters, Diane Lichtsinn of Marshall, Minnesota, Linda Bruns of Pipestone, Minnesota, Lavonne (Herman) Lichtsinn of Lake Benton, Minnesota; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Albert Jr.; infant daughter, Marlys; daughter, Cindy Larson; her parents; two brothers, Orville Anderson and Delbert Anderson; three sisters, Rozella Hunter, Donna Lichtsinn and Eunice Sibson; five brothers-in-law, Orland Hunter, Melvin Lichtsinn, Robert Sibson, Fred Lichtsinn and Gary Bruns; and one sister-in-law, Alvira Anderson.

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*Memory*  
*Mary Arndt*



**Funeral Service**

Saturday, December 16, 2023 - 10:30 AM  
Jasper Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Jasper, Minnesota

**Officiating** - Rev. Sue Grinde

**Scripture Readings**

Psalms 23 Isaiah 40:1-2 Isaiah 40:31

**Organist** - Jason Madtson

**Congregational Hymns**

"Amazing Grace" - Hymn 779

"On Eagle's Wings" - Hymn 787

"In The Garden" - Insert

**Recorded Music**

"I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You"  
as recorded by Alan Jackson

**Casket Bearers**

Mike Bruns	Shawn Bruns	Brandon Mapes
Jeff Arndt	Ron Deters	Greg Anderson

**Interment**

Holland Cemetery - Holland, Minnesota



Mary's family would like to thank each of you for your presence through these past days. They also greatly appreciate the gifts and memorials friends and family members were so generous in giving. Your kindness and presence at this time is much appreciated.