



In Loving

MEMORY

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Funeral Service

Joan Pauline Kwasniewski was born on March 11, 1933, to Bernard and Alvina (Hojnacke) Kwasniewski on the home place near Grenville, South Dakota. She was baptized the next day at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Grenville and was later confirmed there. She attended St. Joseph Catholic School and later graduated from Grenville High School in 1950. She furthered her education at Northern State Teacher's College in Aberdeen, South Dakota and earned her certificate in 1951. Joan taught all eight grades at Koscuisko District School #177 for three years.



She was married to Bernard "Barney" Rumpca on Aug. 13, 1953, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Grenville. Barney served in the United States Army and after their marriage Barney returned to Seattle while Joan continued teaching. In 1954 Joan joined Barney in Seattle where she then worked as a nurse's aide at the Children's Orthopedic Hospital. Barney was discharged in 1955 and the couple moved to St. Paul, Minnesota. In 1957 they moved back to the Webster Area and began farming on the Kwasniewski farm north of Grenville and later the Rumpca family farm in 1958. Upon their return home, Joan worked on the farm alongside

Barney while raising their seven children: Debbie, Duane, Mike, Ronette, Shelly, Nick, and Kari. In January of 1987 Joan went to work at Dakotah, Inc. until it closed. She then worked as an activity assistant at Sundial Manor in Bristol, South Dakota. She was also the assistant librarian for 20+ years. In 1989 the couple moved into Webster and Barney passed away on March 16, 2001. Joan continued living in Webster. Joan was a faithful and devout Catholic. She was a member of the Christ the King Catholic Church in Webster where she served on the Altar Society and was a member of the Catholic Daughters. She was part of the Grenville Auxiliary, BPW, and a leader for 4-H. Joan loved being outdoors where she enjoyed gardening, camping, checking her rain gauge, going for picnics, and taking rides in the side by side. She also enjoyed going out for breakfast, playing cards, sewing, embroidering, and strawberry shakes. Above all these things she loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

She will be forever loved and deeply missed by her three sons, Duane Rumpca of Cheboygan, MI, Mike (Sandy) Rumpca and Nick (Kelly) Rumpca both of Webster, SD; four daughters, Debbie (Morgan) Rohde of Madison, SD, Ronette Rumpca of Pierre, SD, Shelly Rumpca of Rosholt, SD, and Kari (David) Ewalt of Webster, SD; one sister-in-law, Diane (Bill) Geislinger of St. Paul, MN; 15 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents, husband Barney, one brother George Kwasniewski, one sister Verna and brother-in-law Phillip Kurkowski, and brother James Kwasniewski in infancy, grandson Nathan, great-grandson Lucas and nephew Greg Kurkowski.

In Loving Memory Of
Joan Rumpca
March 11, 1933 – June 22, 2023

Mass Of Christian Burial
10:30 A.M. Thursday, June 29, 2023
Christ The King Catholic Church
Webster, South Dakota

Celebrant
Fr. Doug Binsfeld

Music
Kathy Hardina – Organist
Shawn Lesnar - Cantor

Active Casket Bearers
Matt Rohde ~ Tyler Rumpca ~ Lennox Rumpca
Connard Ewalt ~ Ryan Rumpca ~ Grant Kurkowski

Honorary Casket Bearers
Joan's dear children
Duane ~ Mike (Sandy) ~ Nick (Kelly)
Debbie (Morgan) ~ Ronette ~ Shelly ~ Kari (David)
Joan's beloved Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren
All her library kids

Interment
St. Otto's Catholic Cemetery
Webster, South Dakota

