

Gwendolyn "Gwen" Marie Boonstra was born on March 18, 1942, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, the daughter of Arnie and Marie (Johnson) Cline. She grew up in Minneapolis and graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1960. On April 15, 1961, Gwen was united in marriage to Dennis Henry Boonstra and they made their home in Minneapolis. In 1972, they moved to Willmar and Gwen worked as a homemaker. In 1986, she began working for the Willmar School District as a Special Education Para and retired in 2011 (25 years later). Since 1991, they have resided on Games Lake. Gwen was an active member of East Norway Lake Lutheran Church and the Blue Star Mothers. She enjoyed reading, music, watching birds, being outdoors and attending her children's and grandchildren's sporting events.

She is survived by her loving husband of over 60 years, Dennis; three sons, Jeff (and Deb) Boonstra of New London, Mark (and Rachael) Boonstra of Maple Grove and Jason (and Sarah) Boonstra of Appleton; nine grandchildren, Jessica (and Ben) Tamm, Derek (and Ayrika) Boonstra, Robyn (and Dan) Hinz, Taylor (and Will) Clayton, Samantha (and Joey) Matesi, Kari Erickson, Jill Erickson, Tate Stock (and Paige Burkel), Hannah Disinger; four great grandchildren, Andrew and Elizabeth Hinz and Oliver and Isabelle Stock; and one sister-in-law, Roz Cline of Las Vegas, NV., besides other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Charles.

Celebrating the Life of



Gwen Boonstra

1942 - 2022

Twenty-Third Psalm

*The Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not want...
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters...*

*He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths
of righteousness for His name's sake...*

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of
the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff,
they comfort me. Thou preparest a table
before me in the presence of mine
enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over...*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life: and I will dwell in
the house of the Lord forever.*

Arrangements By
Peterson Brothers Funeral Home
"Celebrating A Life Remembered"

In Loving Memory Of

Gwendolyn "Gwen" Boonstra

March 18, 1942
Minneapolis, Minnesota

September 29, 2022
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Celebration of Life Service

Saturday, October 22, 2022 - 11:00 a.m.
East Norway Lake Lutheran Church
New London, Minnesota

Prelude		Shirley Rindahl
Gathering Rite at rear of the Nave		p. 279
Thanksgiving for Baptism		p. 280
Processional Hymn	<i>Blessed Assurance</i>	No. 638
Greeting and Prayer of the Day		p. 281
Reading of the Obituary		
Time of Remembrance		Taylor Clayton & Jessica Tamm
Scripture Lessons		<i>Psalm 23 Psalm 121 John 14:1-6</i>
Duet	<i>Precious Lord, Take My Hand</i>	Rev. Wayne D. & Donna Jo Kopitzke
Sermon		Rev. Wayne D. Kopitzke
Solo	<i>When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder</i>	Ruth Templer
The Apostles' Creed		
The Prayers of Intercession		p.282
Commendation		p.283
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The Lord's Prayer		
Table Prayer (spoken)		
Benediction		
Recessional Hymn	<i>Children Of The Heavenly Father</i>	No. 781
Postlude		

Honorary Urnbearers

All of Gwen's Special Education students that she has taught

Active Urnbearers

Derek Boonstra Samantha Matesi

Private Interment

Fairview Cemetery
Willmar, Minnesota