

Lois Jean Johnson was born April 21, 1927 to Henry E. and Alvina Nelson in LaGrande Township of Douglas County. She was baptized as an infant and confirmed at Svea Lutheran Church in Alexandria. Lois was a dedicated lifetime member of Calvary (Svea) Lutheran Church. A generation learned their Bible Stories from her flannelgraphs, as she was the leader of the Sunday School and Bible School for young children. She actively supported her sister's missionary endeavors in Africa during the 50's and 60's. She was well known for her Swedish rice pudding and meatballs for church suppers. Upon retirement she was active in Golden Glowers Bible Study Group, the funeral committee, and Calvary's prayer chain.

In Lois' youth, she was involved in 4H. She attended grade school in District 47 Rural School in La Grande and graduated from Central High School in 1945. Lois enrolled at St. Cloud State Teachers College. Due to the MN teacher shortage from the war, following a 12 month curriculum, she taught rural school in District 88. Upon completing her degree at St. Cloud State she taught 7th & 8th Grade in the Brandon School District until 1958. She began tutoring in 1965 for the Alexandria School District, continuing for the next 27 years. Following Special education off-site coursework she taught hearing and sight impaired students, homebound, and special needs students. A dedicated teacher, Lois taught a total of 40 years.

On July 28, 1950 Lois was united in marriage to Floyd E. Johnson at Svea (Calvary) Lutheran Church. They built their home on Lake Brophy and their first daughter, Cheryl, was born in 1959. Their second daughter Julie was born in 1969 and the family has enjoyed their lake place ever since.

Lois' love for Jesus shone through her servant heart, cheerful giving, hospitality, and caring hands. Above all she valued Christ-like unity, forgiveness, and peace. Everyone knew her grandchildren brought her the greatest joy. Many trips out East were made to visit grandsons. At her home, she looked forward to her younger grandchildren coming off of the bus each day, where her baking not only warmed her kitchen but also everyone's hearts.

Lois is preceded in death by her loving husband Floyd, her parents, brother Myron Nelson and brother-in-law Charles Jacobson. She thoroughly enjoyed the gift of 30 dear cousins who grew up with her. She will be dearly missed by her daughters Cheryl (James) Mathesz of Northampton, PA and Julie (Daniel) Miller of Alexandria; grandchildren: Michael and James (Jamie) Mathesz, JeAnna, Bethany, Aleah, Jaelyn and Jakin Miller; great grandson Jeremy Mathesz and sister Eileen Nelson Jacobson.

Celebrating the Life Of



Lois Jean Johnson

1927 - 2021

In Loving Memory Of

Lois Jean Johnson

April 21, 1927 † February 25, 2021

Funeral Service

Calvary Lutheran Church
Alexandria, Minnesota

Saturday, March 6, 2021, 11:00 AM

Officiants

Pastor Hans Dahl
Pastor Wayne Erickson

Organist

Becky Worley

Soloist

Brad Lambrecht

Casket Bearers

Michael Mathesz	Jamie Mathesz
Brandon Ruhr	Mark Ziebarth
Scott Soderholm	Leon Hoppe
Rodney Floding	John Hedin

Honorary Casket Bearers

JeAnna Miller	Bethany Miller
Aleah Miller	Jaelyn Miller
Ardene Weberg	Susan Ruhr
Jakim Miller	

Arrangements

Anderson Funeral Home
Alexandria, Minnesota

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 for ever.