



Mothers Never Die

You have never lost your Mother,
Though you've said the last goodbyes,
Though there's heartbreak in the parting,
No one's Mother really dies.

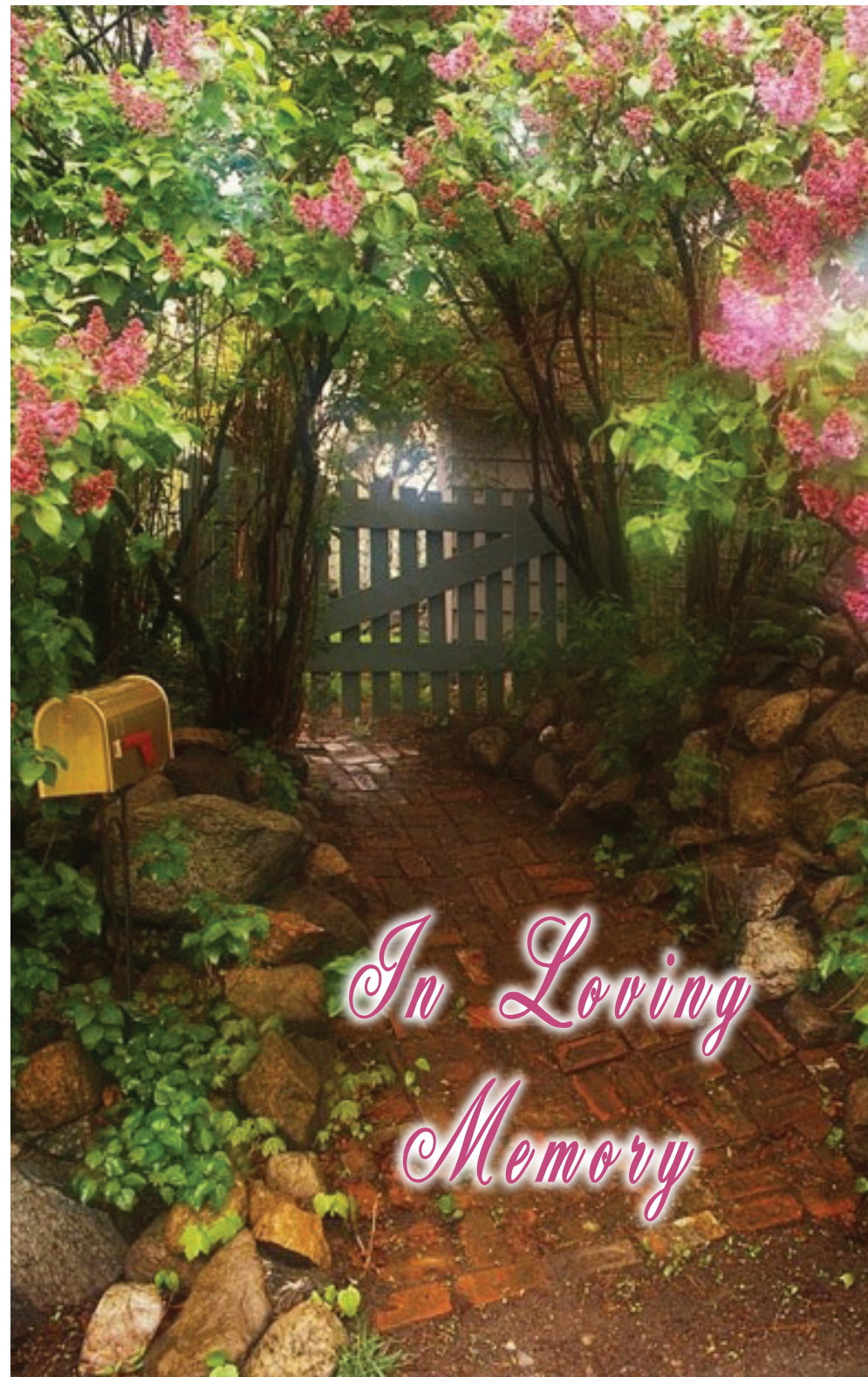
If you love to hear the old songs
For the memories they bring,
It's because you had a Mother
Who taught your heart to sing.

If you stop to help a neighbor,
Search your heart and you will find,
It's because you had a Mother
Who taught you to be kind.

If you go to church when weary
Seeking God to guide your way,
Its because you had a Mother
Who taught you how to pray.

No, you've never lost your mother,
Though you've said your last goodbyes,
Through your thoughts and deeds she's living,
No one's Mother really dies.

~ Author Unknown~





Helen Marie Aaker-Wolf, 72, Mandan, died Monday, July 9, 2018, at Sanford Health, Bismarck.

Helen was born August 24, 1945, on the family farm in Cathay, ND, the 13th of 15 children to John and Laura (Seibold) Martin. She was raised and educated in Cathay, graduating from Cathay Public School in 1963. She also graduated from Dave's Hairdressing and Cosmetology in Jamestown.

Helen married Roger Aaker on May 29, 1964. To this marriage, two handsome sons, Aaron and Colin "Butch", were born. Roger's teaching profession took the family to several locations in North Dakota.

Growing up in a small community, knowing everyone was something special to Helen. She had many great stories of the "town kids" coming to the family farm to play softball, kick the can, hide and seek, and end the day with a good home cooked meal prepared by her mom, best known as Mother Martin to all the other kids. Helen learned great cooking skills from her mom and this tradition was carried on by her sons who are excellent cooks.

Helen married Steve Wolf on June 6, 1996, making their home in Mandan and brought Steve's children, Steven and Mary, into her family.

Helen had several professional positions over the years including Kirkwood Mall business office, apartment manager, instructor at Minot Hairdressing College, and funeral pre-planning consultant at Eastgate and Parkway Funeral Homes in Bismarck and later at Buehler-Larson and Weigel Funeral Homes in Mandan.

Throughout her career, Helen met many wonderful people who became great friends. She always said "if you love what you do, you will never work a day in your life" and she lived up to that as she loved every profession she had and was dedicated and passionate to that profession. She had other employment opportunities in which she shared her love for people and the need to help others, including at the Abused Adult Resource Center and as a nursing home aid.

Helen's sons were her pride and joy, and her grandchildren and great grandchildren were very special to her. Holidays, especially Christmas, were special because of her family and she loved to host large family holiday dinners. Helen loved working in her yard and flower beds or just sitting on the back deck reading. Steve and Helen also enjoyed travel and seeing God's creation and beauty.

Helen was dearly loved and will be deeply missed by her family and many friends. She is survived by her husband, Steve Wolf, Mandan; sons, Aaron Aaker, Milton, MA and Colin "Butch" (Grace) Aaker, Bismarck; stepchildren, Steven (Twyla) Wolf, Mandan and Mary (Lucas) Ott, Embden; brother, Fred (Alma) Martin, Lisbon; sisters, Ardella Ockert, New Rockford and Bev Hafner, Sykeston; grandchildren, Ashley, Laura, Lisa, and Scott Aaker, Bismarck and Ethan Aaker, Milton, MA; step-grandchildren, Jase, Collin, and Roland Wolf and Roman Ott; great-grandchildren Trevor, Jayden, and Braxton; and several nieces and nephews.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Roger Aaker; eight brothers, baby Gilbert, Chester, Wesley, Leonard, Jimmy, Orville, William, and Merlin; and three sisters, Shirley Truedson, Janice Martin, and Linda Anderson.

Please go to www.BuehlerLarson.com to share memories of Helen.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Helen Marie Aaker - Wolf

AUGUST 24, 1945 - JULY 9, 2018

Funeral Service Friday, July 13, 2018; 10:30 AM
 Cornerstone Church
 Bismarck, North Dakota
Officiating Rev. Keith Ritchie
Organist Barb Franke
Soloists Clyde Baumen and Blaine Schell
Honorary Pallbearers Will and Sandy Rudolph, Mike and Joyce Luger,
 Betty Makeeff, Thelma Wall, Merrill Truedson, & Travis Hafner
Pallbearers Loren Anderson, Roger Wild, Troy Hafner, & Dean Adam

Processional	"How Great Thou Art"	#33 Congregation
Prayer		
Special Music	"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"	Clyde Bauman
Scripture Readings	Philippians 4:6-7 and John 14:1-3	
Special Music	"In the Garden"	Clyde Bauman
Eulogy and Reading		
Helen's Favorite Song	"God Bless America"	Congregation
Sermon		
Reading	We Too Shall Rise	
Special Music	"Because He Lives"	Blaine Schell
Closing Prayer		
Recessional	"When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder"	#285 Congregation

The family invites you for lunch and fellowship at the church immediately following the funeral service. Committal will take place at Lakeview Cemetery, 10th Street NE & 53rd Street, Cathay, ND.