

Remembering the Life....

Ardith Delna (Kilde) Seaver was born to John and Clara (Stigen) Kilde on August 28, 1932, in Fergus Falls, MN. She was baptized and confirmed at Bethel Lutheran Church. Ardy grew up in Fergus Falls in a loving home where the Christian faith was taught and nurtured. She graduated from Hillcrest Lutheran Academy in 1950. It was during her time at Hillcrest when Ardy claimed Matthew 11:28 as her salvation verse which brought peace to her heart. She was forever grateful for the care, instruction, and prayers of godly teachers. Ardy went on to become a Registered Nurse after graduating from Lutheran Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing in 1953. It was while living in Minneapolis at this time and attending Ebenezer Lutheran Church, that Ardy began dating and then marrying Ray Seaver in 1955. Together, they had five children, sixteen grandchildren, and at her death thirteen great-grandchildren.

Ardy was a servant leader in her home, church, and community. She lived out her vocations with grace, intelligence, skill, humility, and humor. She enjoyed reading, singing and listening to music, observing birds, growing and arranging flowers, and the Minnesota Twins. She found great fulfillment and joy in providing a loving and welcoming home for her family, and extending warm hospitality to all who visited. Ardy enjoyed worshiping and serving in their local congregations, hosting and participating in home Bible studies, becoming a Stephen Minister, and partnering with Ray on two church planting teams, Oak Hill Church in Bloomington, MN and Word of Life in LeSueur, MN. She enjoyed deep and lasting friendships. For almost twenty years she took turns hosting a once a month gathering of women from the community who enjoyed catching up with craft or miscellaneous projects a.k.a. "Odds and Ends" over coffee, dessert, and conversation. In the midst of caring for five children, she carved out time to serve with the LeSueur Hospital Auxiliary, sing in a Community Ecumenical Choir, and serve as a Red Cross Nurse during local blood drives.

After living most of their years in LeSueur, MN, in 1997 Ray and Ardy moved to Fergus Falls, fulfilling Ardy's wish to spend retirement years where she grew up. Their lives were enriched further with new and old friendships within their neighborhood, community, Bethel Lutheran Church, Mill Street Residence, and PioneerCare.

Ardy is survived by her children, Jeff (Kathie) Seaver, Moorhead, MN; Cindy (David) Spidahl, Erhard, MN; Barb (Nick) Mundis, Eden Prairie, MN; Ray (Christine) Seaver, Hartland, WI; Tom (Shannon) Seaver, Eden Prairie, MN; sixteen grandchildren, and thirteen great-grandchildren; a brother, John (Janet) Kilde. She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Clara Kilde, as well as her siblings, Marlin, Sylvia, Dorothy, Cordelia, and Loren.

Memorials are preferred to the Ray and Ardy Seaver Endowment at Lutheran Brethren Seminary and Inspiration Point Christian Camp and Retreat Center.

Blessed be the Memory of Ardith Seaver

In Loving Memory of



Ardith Seaver

August 28, 1932 ~ September 9, 2023



*Jesus said:
 “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened
 and I will give you rest.”*

Matthew 11:28

Appreciation

Ardy’s family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Please join family and friends for lunch and fellowship following the service.

In Loving Memory Of **Ardith D. Seaver**

Memorial Service

Friday, October 27, 2023 at 11:00 A.M.
 Bethel Lutheran Church
 Fergus Falls, Minnesota

Prelude

Processional Hymn *“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”*

Invocation

Reading of Selected Scriptures

Congregational Hymn *“Children of the Heavenly Father”*

Reflections on Ardy’s Life

Reverend John Kilde - brother

Ray Seaver, Jr. - son

Donna Olson - friend

Solo *“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”*

Message- *“Rest in Jesus”* Matthew 28:11

Solo *“Hide Away in the Love of Jesus”*

Pastoral Prayer

Benediction

Recessional Hymn *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*

Postlude

Keyboards, Vocals, Violin – Rev. David and Laurie Strom

Pastors – Reverend Rich Iverson, Reverend Nick Mundis

Honorary Urn Bearers

Ardy’s Grandchildren:

Andrew Seaver ~ Laura Erickson ~ Elizabeth Johnson ~ Joseph Seaver
 Benjamin Spidahl ~ Liv Anderson ~ Berit Spidahl ~ Anders Spidahl
 Jack Mundis ~ Solveig Brunkow ~ Gunnar Seaver ~ Larson Seaver
 Savannah Seaver ~ Brooke Seaver ~ Karin Seaver ~ Johnathan Seaver

Interment

Oak Grove Cemetery
 Fergus Falls, Minnesota