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. Psalm 23





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Mary Knoll, 97, passed away on October 31, 2024, at CHI St. Alexius in Bismarck.

Mary was born November 15, 1926, in Crown Butte, west of Mandan, to Liberatus and Margaret (Steckler) Zander. She was raised and educated in Crown Butte, attending country school through the eighth grade. On October 8, 1946, she married Michael J. Knoll at St. Vincent Catholic Church in Crown Butte. They farmed in the Mandan and Judson area until moving into Mandan in 1952. Mary lovingly raised their four children and then worked as a CNA at Missouri Slope Care Center until retiring. Restless in this thing called retirement, Mary became a nanny and enjoyed caring for two children for the next twelve years. A talented green thumb, Mary was an avid gardener all of her life. She enjoyed growing vegetables, canning her harvest, and was famous for her dill pickles. Mary was also a fantastic cook and baker, always trying new recipes and would make huge batches of cookies to fill several ice cream pails to share at family gatherings and camping trips and made wonderful German dishes. She enjoyed sewing and embroidery in her younger years and liked interior and exterior painting and staining woodwork. Mary loved camping, fishing, and traveling. She looked forward to MN Twins games and loved ballpark brats. She and Michael looked forward to family weddings and anniversary parties and loved to dance. They were members of a Pinochle club with family and friends. Above all, Mary loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. She was warm and friendly and loved to visit and reminisce. Mary was generous and giving of her time and talents which included a lifetime of service to others including being one of the first volunteers with Meals on Wheels.

Blessed to have shared in her life are her children, Timothy (Renee) Knoll, Mountain Home, AR, Cynthia Knoll, Bismarck, and Danny Knoll, Tucson, AZ; daughter-in-law, Sharon Knoll, Reedley, CA; grandchildren, Crystal Barajas, Brandy (Jason) Chavez, Reedley, CA, Heather (Scott) LaCoe and Matthew (Allison) Grenz, all of Bismarck, Christopher Knoll and Patricia Knoll-Litzinger, both of Grand Forks, Mona (Dennis) Peracca, Visalia, CA, and Virginia (Joe) Quistorff, Fresno, CA; great grandchildren, Corey, Brittany, Kaylee, Evan, Megan, Brandon, Jordan, Madison, Courtney, Tristan, Sierra, Jadon, Charlotte, Dillon, Troy, Benjamin, Zachary, and Everly; great-great grandchildren, William and Olivia; as well as her sister, Kathleen (John) Brilz, San Pablo, CA.

Mary was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 65 years, Michael, in 2012; son, David T. Knoll, in 2023; her parents; and siblings, Monica (Anton) Yantzer, Helen (Joseph) Doll, Liberatus Jr. (Mary) Zander, Richard (Beatrice) Zander, Theodore Zander, and James Zander.

Funeral Liturgy	Thursday   November 7, 2024   10:00 AM
	Church of Corpus Christi   Bismarck, ND
Celebrant	Fr. John Paul Gardner
Assisting	Deacon Bob Wingenbach
Musicians	Sebastian Haboczki & Colleen Reinhardt
Reader	Kathleen Brilz
Opening Song	"Be Not Afraid"

Liturgy of the WordOld Testament ReadingIsaiah 43:1-4ResponsePsalm 118"This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad."New Testament Reading2 Timothy 4:1-8Gospel ReadingJohn 14:1-7HomilyImage: State S

Liturgy of the Eucharist	
Preparation of Gifts Song	"On Eagle's Wings"
Presentation of Gifts	
Eucharistic Prayer	
Communion Song	"Amazing Grace"
Final Commendation	"Song of Farewell"
Closing Song	"How Great Thou Art"

## **Casket Bearers**

Heather LaCoe | Sierra LaCoe | Patricia Knoll-Litzinger | Madison Knoll Courtney Litzinger | Brandy Chavez | Virginia Quistorff | Mona Peracca

## **Graveside Service**

Mandan Union Cemetery

Following the funeral service, the family invites you for food and fellowship in the church basement. Burial will follow at 12:45 PM.