

I N L O V I N G
Memory

Bobette Joy McCabe

August 2, 1931 *Age 91* March 7, 2023

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Monday, March 13, 2023 ~ 11:00 AM

Church of St. Mary
Alexandria, Minnesota

CLERGY

Father Matthew Kuhn

EULOGIES

Nick McCabe Kristen Berg

READERS

Isabel McCabe Molly McCabe Seth Goehring

GIFT BEARERS

Ensley McCabe Briley Jesme Ada McCabe

MUSICIANS

Jody Koubsky Erin Takle

CASEKT BEARERS

Pat McCabe Mark McCabe
Tom McCabe John McCabe
Paul McCabe Julie Goehring

INTERMENT

St. Mary's Mausoleum
Alexandria, Minnesota

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call

I turned my back and left it all
I could not stay another day

To laugh, to love, to work or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way

I found that peace at the close of the day
If my parting has left a void

Then fill it with remembered *Joy*
A friendship shared,

a laugh, a kiss Ah, yes, these things I too will miss
Be not burdened with times of sorrow

I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow

My life has been full, I've savored much
Good friends, good times,
a loved one's touch

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief

Lift up your heart and share with me
God wanted me now, He set me **FREE!**

***Bobette Joy McCabe** was born in Alexandria, Minnesota, on August 2, 1931, the daughter of Arthur and Emma (Foslien) Dittberner. She grew up in Leaf Valley, MN where her parents owned the Dittberner's Leaf Valley Store. She was very musically talented and loved being the church organist at Ebenezer Lutheran Church. It was during that time working at the store she met Christopher McCabe after he returned from overseas military service and the couple was united in marriage on September 22, 1949. Chris was called back during the Korean Conflict to serve that time stateside in Jacksonville, Florida where he and Bobette and son Pat made their first home. When they returned to Alexandria, Chris and his brother John owned and operated McCabe's Camera Cards, and Gift store for approximately 50 years where Bobette spent many years helping in the store. Bobette spent many years working for the Alexandria School District, mainly in the Lincoln School nurses office where she was able to take care of children, her favorite thing to do. Bobette's faith was strong and she trusted in Jesus as her Savior and friend. She was an active part of St. Mary's Church and the Daughters of Isabella, the VFW Auxiliary and the Fireman Ladies Auxiliary. Her family was her priority and Bobette's home was always filled with food, fun and laughter. She was an excellent cook and loved hosting huge family gatherings that included many friends that she made feel like family. Any chance to gather with relatives she was there, and usually the last to leave. She belonged to a "birthday club" and gathered with the same friends for 40 years, they had so much fun together and supported each other through so many life milestones. Her favorite color was purple, everyone knows that! She was a big Minnesota Vikings fan and attended many games. She loved to be outside and take care of her flower garden and she loved cuddling with her dogs. Bobette was filled with joy and loved life, loved people and touched many hearts.*

Bobette died on Monday, March 7, 2023, at Bethany on the Lake at the age of 91 years. She is survived by sons Patrick McCabe of Parkers Prairie, Mark (Becky) McCabe of Alexandria, Thomas McCabe of Alexandria, John McCabe (Jen Johnson) of Alexandria, and Paul (Cindy) McCabe of Edina, daughter Julie (Karl) Goehring of Moorhead, grandchildren Angela (Greg) Krogstad, Branden (Breanna) McCabe, Travis (Emily) McCabe, Nicholas McCabe, Josh McCabe, Kristen (Darren) Berg, Alissa McCabe, Nathan (Amy) McCabe, Kali (Justin) Mandile, Riley McCabe (Courtney Dallum), Gillian (Josh) Collins, Acacia McCabe, BriAnna McCabe, Olivia McCabe, Madeline McCabe, Isabel McCabe, Molly McCabe, Tarah Goehring (Jesse Boettner), Seth Goehring (Jessica Nelson), and Erin (Derek) Grund. Also surviving are great-grandchildren Tanner, Skyler, Brycen, Brayden, Brody, Ensley, Kolton, Audrey, Christian, August, Ransom, Briley, Weston, Iris, Ada, Lola, Burke, Conlan, Colette, Liam, and Scarlett. She is also survived by her dear Sister Cheryl Mrowicki, and Sister-in-law Carol Dittberner, and her best lifelong friend Evadne Wadsworth.

Bobette was preceded in death by her parents, husband Chris, son James, sister Ardelle and Lloyd Froemming, brother David Dittberner and daughter-in-law Mary Kay McCabe.

A special thank you to the staff at Pelican Lake, Bethany on the Lake and Hospice of Douglas County for the great care Bobette received and special bonds she had.

In Loving

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