

Remembering the Life....

Barbara was born August 31, 1934, to Lloyd and Viola (Williams) West in Mankato, MN. She attended school in Battle Lake, MN and Bethel Lutheran College in St. Paul, MN.

Barbara met and married Ernie Johnson in 1960. They were married for 38 years and had three children: Brent, Shelly, and Joni. They made their home in Fergus Falls, MN until 2015 when Barbara moved to Cottage Grove, MN to be near her children.

Barbara worked at the Fergus Falls Library for many years. She enjoyed it immensely and was an avid reader her whole life. She was also a member of Zion Lutheran Church and was involved in many church activities. Barbara loved her family and friends, travel, reading, flowers (she had over 100 pots and large flower gardens around the house), parties, eating out, and taking zillions of pictures. She enjoyed documenting traveling to all 50 states, Canada, Scotland, Wales, and England.

Barbara Joan Johnson passed away at the age of 89 on Saturday night May 11, 2024.

Barbara is survived by her children, Brent (Terri) Johnson of Henning, MN, Shelly (Don) Saunders of Cottage Grove, MN, and Joni (Robert) Hunt of New Hope, MN; six grandchildren Matthew, Jessie, Brandi, Taylor, Sam, and Jack and twin great-grandchildren Remington and Zeppelin.

Barbara is preceded in death by her husband Ernie Johnson; father Lloyd Wald; mother Viola West and sister Gail Tysdal. Thanks for sharing all the precious moments you had with mom with us. She loved you all.

Blessed be the Memory of Barbara





The Rose Bud

It is only a tiny rosebud;
A flower of God's design.
But I cannot unfold the petals;
With these clumsy hands of mine.

The secret of unfolding flowers;
Is not known to such as I.
GOD opens this flower so easily;
But in my hands they die.

If I cannot unfold a rosebud;
This flower of God's design,
Then how can I have the wisdom;
To unfold this life of mine?

So I'll trust in God for leading;
Each moment of my day.
I will look to God for guidance;
In each step along the way.

The path that lies before me;
Only my Lord knows.
I'll trust God to unfold the moments;
Just as He unfolds the rose.

In Loving Memory Of

Barbara Joan Johnson

August 31, 1934 ~ May 11, 2024

Funeral Service

Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 2pm
Zion Lutheran Church
Fergus Falls, Minnesota

Officiating

Pastor Nancy Eldredge Hess

Remembrances

Wanda Holt

Music

Everett Jacobson, organist/soloist
"Because He Lives"
"In The Garden"

Congregational Hymns

"Borning Cry"
"Jesus Loves Me"

Casketbearers

"Barbara's Grandchildren"

Interment

Nidaros Lutheran Church Cemetery
Clitherall, Minnesota

Appreciation

Barbara'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.

Arrangements by

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