

To the Glory of God and In Loving Memory of

# Ruth A. Stark

September 4, 1924 ~ September 20, 2024

## Funeral Service

Wednesday, September 25, 2024 ▪ 11:00 AM  
Parkway Funeral Service ▪ 2330 Tyler Parkway  
Bismarck, North Dakota

## Interment

Tuttle Community Cemetery  
Tuttle, North Dakota

Prelude  
Gathering  
Thanksgiving for Baptism  
Song *"Amazing Grace"*

Greeting  
Prayer of the Day  
Reading of the Obituary  
Time of Sharing  
Readings

Psalm 23  
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Song *"One Day At A Time"*  
Sermon  
Song *"Nearer My God To Thee"*  
The Apostles' Creed  
Prayers  
The Lord's Prayer  
Commendation  
Song *"How Great Thou Art"*  
Postlude

**Officiant** Pastor Jacob DeBoer

**Readers** Alexis Diehl, Kayla Fitterer,  
Kaitlin Harrington and Pamela Herman

**Pallbearers** Timothy Stark, Michael Neustel, Gregory Neustel,  
Eric Stark, Nicholas Stark and Jacob Stark

Following the service, family invites you to join them for lunch and fellowship in the Community Room at Parkway



Tribute Video

*Ruth Stark*, 100, Bismarck, passed away on September 20, 2024.

Ruth Stark was born on September 4, 1924 to Ada and Edwin Newton on the Family Farm eight miles northeast of Tuttle, North Dakota. She was the third to the youngest of 12 children. Ruth attended country school through the 8th grade and graduated from the Tuttle High School in 1943.

Ruth married Billie "Sonny" Stark in 1944. She was raised and lived on a farm all her life except for the few years she worked in Bismarck. After 27 wonderful years of living in her home one mile east of Tuttle, she moved to Bismarck and later to assisted living.

Ruth loved quilting and crocheting. Many of her quilts and throws are still lovingly used by her family. She also enjoyed her garden. Ruth loved hosting family holidays and always had cookies, donuts, and coffee ready for anyone who stopped by for a visit.

She is survived by three sons, Warren Stark, Tuttle, Ricky (Bobbie) Stark, Tuttle, Robin (Lori) Stark, Hastings, MN; two daughters, Rosemary Scott, Lewistown, MT, Lois Stark, Mandan; 14 grandchildren (Timothy, Tanya, Tami, Tina, Michael, Pamela, Gregory, Misty, Kayla, Eric, Nicholas, Kristen, Jacob, and Kaitlin) and numerous great-grandchildren as well as many great-great grandchildren. She also leaves behind very special nieces and nephews.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents; six brothers, Elmer, Earl, Harvey, Alvin, Ernest and Edward; five sisters, Esther Wetzel, Alice Nelson, Mabel Cox, Irene Johnson and an infant sister; daughter-in-law, Barb Stark; son-in-law, Bill Scott and her husband, Billie "Sonny" Stark.



*To Those I Love  
And Those Who Love Me*

WHEN I AM GONE,  
RELEASE ME, LET ME GO-  
I HAVE SO MANY THINGS  
TO SEE AND DO.  
YOU MUSTN'T TIE YOURSELF  
TO ME WITH TEARS,  
BE HAPPY THAT  
WE HAD SO MANY YEARS.

I GAVE YOU MY LOVE.  
YOU CAN ONLY GUESS  
HOW MUCH YOU  
GAVE ME IN HAPPINESS.  
I THANK YOU FOR THE LOVE  
YOU ALL HAVE SHOWN,  
BUT NOW IT'S TIME  
I TRAVELED ON ALONE.

SO GRIEVE A WHILE FOR ME  
IF GRIEVE YOU MUST,  
THEN LET YOUR GRIEF BE  
COMFORTED BY TRUST.  
IT'S ONLY FOR A  
WHILE THAT WE MUST PART  
SO BLESS THE MEMORIES  
WITHIN YOUR HEART.

I WON'T BE FAR AWAY,  
FOR LIFE GOES ON  
SO, IF YOU NEED ME,  
CALL AND I WILL COME.  
THOUGH YOU CAN'T SEE  
OR TOUCH ME, I'LL BE NEAR-  
AND IF YOU LISTEN WITH  
YOUR HEART, YOU'LL HEAR  
ALL OF MY LOVE AROUND  
YOU SOFT AND CLEAR.

AND THEN, WHEN YOU MUST  
COME THIS WAY ALONE,  
I'LL GREET YOU WITH A  
SMILE, AND SAY  
"WELCOME HOME."

*Celebrating the Life of*



*Ruth A. Stark*

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