

Harriet was born on June 2, 1930 to Tollef “Tom” and Alma (Clausen) Volden in Erksine, MN. She attended two country schools in the Fosston, MN area, then McIntosh School in McIntosh, MN and later graduated in 1948 from Fosston High School, Fosston, MN. Her strong work ethic and attention to detail led her to pursue various careers over her life. In 1976, she became Deputy County Recorder and Deputy County Registrar of Titles under the tutelage of Neoma Laken for Wilkin County, MN, until her retirement in 1992.

It was through her employment at Polk County Highway Department in 1950, that she met the love of her life Marvin Bakken. They were married on January 6, 1951. The couple raised three children while living in Crookston, MN. In 1966, they relocated to Breckenridge where they attended Breckenridge Lutheran Church. Harriet enjoyed volunteering with the Ladies Circle of Breckenridge Lutheran Church, leading Bible School and served as a Den Leader for her son’s Boy Scout Troop.

Harriet had an unwavering love for her family, and thoroughly enjoyed spending time with them whenever possible. She loved spending time at their Rush Lake camper with her family and friends. She especially loved taking an annual trip to Medora, ND with her husband, family and close friends. Her creativity shone through her beautiful fancy needlework and crocheted doilies. She would often repeat what her mother told her “Every rip is a compliment”, while completing these works. There were few times that Harriet didn’t have coffee and dessert for anyone stopping by to visit. In her last years, she especially loved her phone visits with her dearest friends and those she considered family and rarely missed sending a greeting card for birthdays. Her strong love and dedication to her faith and her family will be passed on for generations to come.

Harriet is survived by her children, Julie (Thomas) Eder of West Fargo, ND, and Steve (Melissa) Bakken of Breckenridge, MN; grandchildren Justin (Amanda) Eder (children Brayton Eder, Jasmine Rocha and Hayley Rocha), Jason (Amanda) Eder (children Lydia and Heath), Kristen (Wes) Mueller, (children Erin, Kaydence, and Collyn), Ashley (Paul) Deal, Jessica (Shawn) Paschke, (children Oliver and Ryan Amelia), Tyler (Kaylee) Bakken (son, Cohen), Amy Bakken, Nicholis (Katie) Jaeb, (children Lilia, Oliver and Maverick), Jennifer Jaeb (children, Morgan, Logan, Lucy and William, Cierra (Andy Reinhart) Meisch; sister, Arlene (Kenneth) Wold; and many other nieces and nephews. She held a special place in her heart for her Godchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Marvin, her daughter Sherilynn Meisch, and her parents, Tom and Alma Volden.

The family would like to thank CHI-Health at Home and Hospice, Breckenridge, and Twin Town Villa, Breckenridge, for their support and care.



IN LOVING
Memory

Harriet Bonita Bakken

June 2, 1930 — April 30, 2023



*The world changes from year to year,
our lives from day to day
But the love and memory of you shall*

never pass away.

-Author Unknown





GOD looked around the garden,
And found an empty space.
He looked down upon the earth,
And saw your tired face. He put
His arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
For He only takes the **BEST.**
He knew that you were weary,
and He knew that you were in pain.
He knew that you would never
be well on earth again.
He saw the roads were getting rough,
and the hills were hard to climb.
So He closed your weary eyelids,
Peace be Thine. and whispered



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Born: June 2, 1940 ~ Erskine, Minnesota
Died: April 30, 2023 ~ Breckenridge, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Breckenridge Lutheran Church
Breckenridge, Minnesota
11:00 a.m., Friday, May 5, 2023

PARTICIPANTS

Pastor Alé Tulu, Celebrant
Kelly Voss, Soloist
Mary Jane Pauly, Pianist

PALLBEARERS

Justin Eder ~ Jason Eder ~ Tyler Bakken ~ Paul Deal
Nicholis Jaeb ~ Wes Mueller ~ Shawn Paschke

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

All of Harriet's Loving Family & Friends

CONGREGATIONAL MUSIC

The Old Rugged Cross ~ How Great Thou Art
What A Friend We Have In Jesus

SPECIAL MUSIC

Where Roses Never Fade ~ On Angel's Wings

BURIAL AT A LATER DATE

Riverside Cemetery
Breckenridge, Minnesota

The family wishes to express their gratitude for your kind expressions of sympathy and for honoring Harriet with your presence at the service.