



Wilma Burgers was born on May 26, 1937, in Zeist, The Netherlands, the daughter of Joe and Wilma (De Ruiter) Van De Stroet. She was raised in The Netherlands until Wilma was 11. In 1948 she moved to the United States with her parents, brothers, and sisters. They settled at Fairview, South Dakota where she completed 8th grade at a country school.

On September 2, 1959, Wilma was united in marriage with Gilbert Burgers in Rock Valley, Iowa. Together the couple made their home in Rock Valley where they raised their four children; Derrel, Gloria, Glenda, and Leon. Wilma and Gilbert were charter members of Trinity Christian Reformed Church.

Wilma loved to work with her hands and always made work fun. Whether she was busy raising her children, volunteering at Justice For All, baking or making meals for others, or helping countless people with whatever they needed, this was her passion and mission. Wilma had a heart to serve others and always gave her best. She enjoyed riding bike, playing games, and visiting with friends. Wilma died Monday, February 21, 2022, at her home in Rock Valley under the care of her loving family. She was 84 years old.

Wilma is survived by her husband of 62 years, Gilbert; three children, Gloria Burgers of Rock Valley, Glenda Jones of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and Leon (Lora) Burgers of Alford, Iowa; four grandchildren, Sara (Jason) Roskup, Mike Lottman, Tawny Jones, and Tara Jones; two great-grandchildren, Jada and Alyse Roskup; sister, Beverly Dykstra of Rock Valley; and sister-in-law, Josie Van De Stroet of Visalia, California.

Preceding Wilma in death were her parents, Joe and Wilma Van De Stroet; son, Derrel Burgers; and siblings, Harry Van De Stroet, Carol Getting, Alice Leusink, and Case Van De Stroet.

In Loving Memory
Wilma Burgers
May 26, 1937 ~ February 21, 2022

FUNERAL SERVICE

10:30 AM, Friday, February 25, 2022
Trinity Christian Reformed Church
Rock Valley, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Rev. Henry Lengkeek

ORGANIST

Pat Vander Pol

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

“Blessed Assurance”

“Amazing Grace”

PALLBEARERS

Leon Burgers ~ John Leusink
James Getting ~ Stewart Krummen
Henry DeMan ~ Jack Burgers

MEMORIAL

Justice For All

INTERMENT

Valley View Cemetery
Rock Valley, Iowa

Wilma’s family invites everyone for a time of food and fellowship in the church fellowship hall following the committal service at the cemetery.

Hands!

*Hands so small would grip our finger,
And we would want it to linger.
Hands to buckle a shoe,
And wave and say "how do you do".
Hands have fingers one to ten,
When in school to hold our pen.
Hands to mix the cakes,
And also flip pancakes.
Hands to shape the buns and bread,
And hold a needle we must thread.
Hands to hold a book,
And also a crochet hook.
Hands to milk a cow,
Oh yes! The hands know how.
Hands can peel apples and potatoes,
And take care of all those tomatoes.
Hands to hold a hoe,
Watch out, don't hit your toe.
Hands can throw a ball,
But be careful don't you fall.
Hands to wipe away a tear,
And then say "oh dear".
This poem took a lot of thinking,
And my eyes keep blinking.
Hands to fold and pray,
May God bless us every day.*

By Wilma Burgers



No eye has seen,
nor ear heard, nor
the heart of man
conceived,

what God has prepared
for those who love Him.

1 Corinthians 2:9