

Gladys Evelyn Wilke, age 100, passed away peacefully in her residence on September 17, 2019.

Gladys was born on November 7, 1918, to E.W. and Emma (Boehmer) Jasch in Crookston, Minnesota. The family moved to Detroit Lakes when Gladys was a young child.

Gladys attended school in Detroit Lakes where she graduated from High School. She married Walter Wilke on August 24, 1940, and the two built the home in Detroit Lakes in which Gladys lived for 75 years. The couple had two children, Joanne and Collin. When the children were older, Gladys worked as a bookkeeper in the bulk oil company that Walter managed. She worked there until her retirement in 1975.

Gladys and Walter enjoyed being in and working in the outdoors, and in 1960 they purchased property on Pickerel Lake where the whole family has enjoyed many happy times over the decades.

She is survived by her children, Joanne (Dennis) McCarl and Collin Wilke; grandchildren Chris (Kay) Carlson, Christine (Chris) Hamre, Nicole McCarl, and Aubree (Eric) Kees; and great-grandchildren Emily Zorn, Gabe Zorn and Samantha Harling.

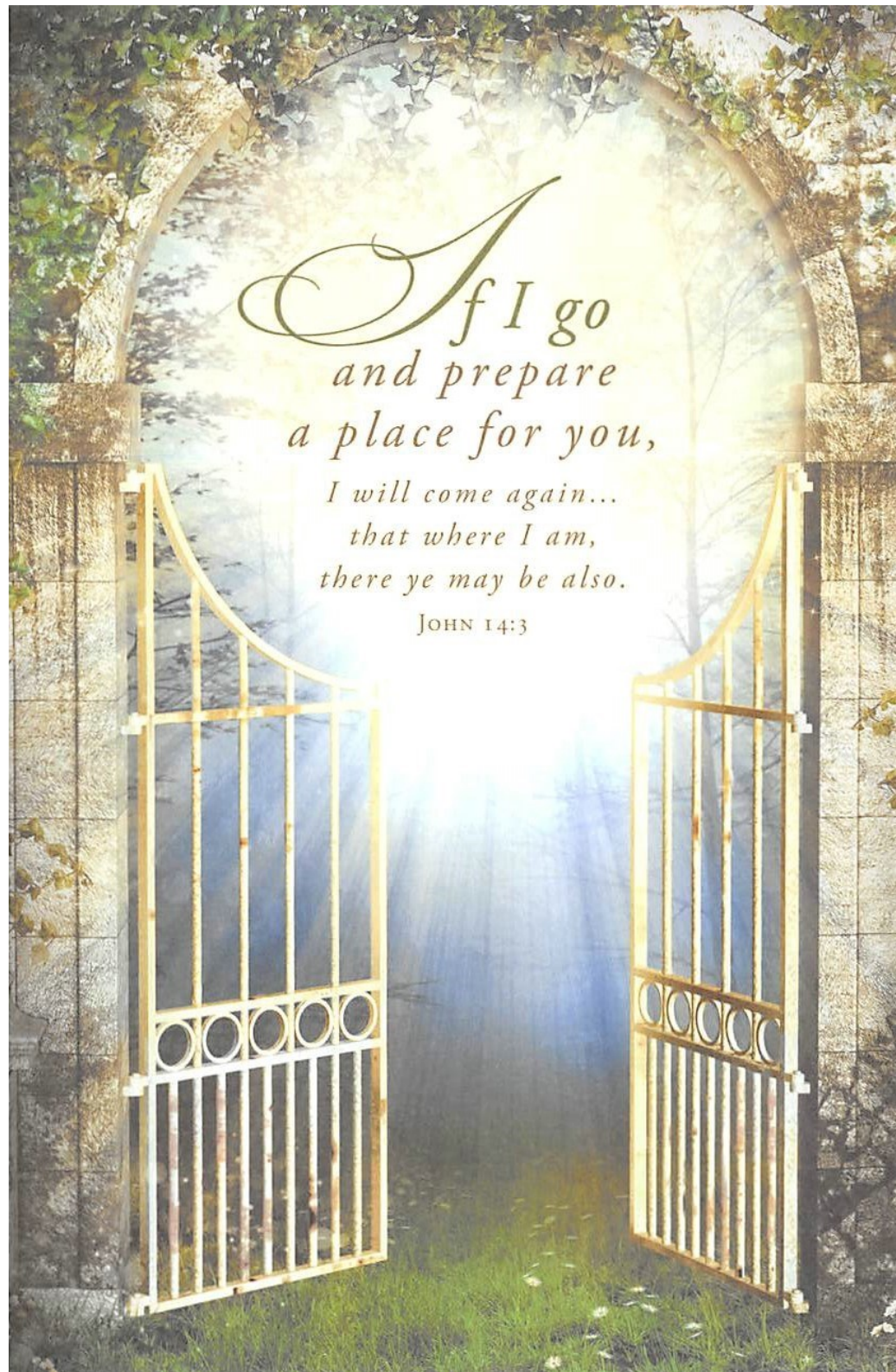
Gladys was preceded in death by her husband, Walter (1999); brothers Donald, Virgil and Orval; sisters Cerilda Ellis and Rosella McCann; and daughter-in-law Wendy Wilke.

Clock of Life

*The clock of life is wound but once,
And no man has the power
To tell just when the hands will stop
On what day, or what hour.*

*Now is the only time you have,
So live it with a will.
Don't wait until tomorrow,
The hands may then be still.*

By Robert H. Smith



“Life is but a Weaving”

*My life is but a weaving
Between my Lord and me,
I cannot choose the colors
nor all the pattern see..*

*Sometimes He chooses sorrow,
And I in foolish pride
Forget He sees the upper
And I, the under side.*

*Not ‘til the loom in silent
And the shuttles cease to fly
will He reveal the pattern
or tell the reason why.*

*The dark threads are as needful
In the Weaver's skillful hand
As the threads of gold and silver
In the pattern He has planned.*

By ~ Corrie ten Boom



In Loving Memory of

Gladys Evelyn Wilke

Born to Life on Earth

November 7, 1918

Crookston
Minnesota

Born to Life Eternal

September 17, 2019

Detroit Lakes
Minnesota



Service of Love and Remembrance

Monday, September 23, 2019 - 11:00 AM

Zion Lutheran Church

Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

Reverend Dan Abrahams, *Officiating*

Special Music

Michelle Johnson, *Pianist, Organist and Vocalist*

“Precious Memories”

“God Be With You”

Congregational Hymns

“How Great Thou Art”

“Abide With Me”

Casket Bearers

Gabe Zorn, Andrew Zorn, Kevin Schwarzrock

Chris Hamre, Bill Wilke and Jon Kumpula

Interment

Oak Grove Cemetery
Detroit Lakes, Minnesota