

In Loving Memory of
Betty J. Tasler

January 15, 1931 - August 5, 2025

Celebration of Life

10:30 AM

Saturday, August 16, 2025
Lutheran Church of Our Savior
Windom, Minnesota

Officiant

Pastor Paul Sajban

Musician

Danny Niebuhr, Organist

Special Music - Niebuhr Brothers

Angel Band

Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone
10,000 Reasons

Music

I'm But a Stranger Here
The Church's One Foundation
Children of the Heavenly Father

Casket Bearers

Kyle Tasler Corey Arvidson
Brett McFarland TJ Broccoli
Sam Jensen Karter Janssen
Ella Crosson

Final Resting Place

Memory Gardens Cemetery
Windom, Minnesota

**Following Betty's Celebration of Life,
please join her family in the church basement for
a meal and time of fellowship.**



To share condolences or view Betty's
service and tribute video, scan the QR
code or visit www.sinnfuneralhome.com.



**"Betty's Favorites"
Word Search**



Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden →, ↓, and ↘.

GRANDCHILDREN
TIMBERWOLVES
RASPBERRIES
COUNTY FAIR
SWEET CORN
PUMPKINS
PAINTING
VIKINGS
FRIENDS
PUPPIES

PUZZLES
BAKING
FAMILY
CHURCH
TRAVEL
GARDEN
SEWING
TWINS
FAITH
PIGS



Honoring the Life of

Betty J. Tasler
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Psalm 46 (NIV)

God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear,
though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging.

There is a river whose streams
make glad the city of God,
the holy place where the Most High dwells.

God is within her, she will not fall;

God will help her at break of day.

Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Come and see what the Lord has done,
the desolations he has brought on the earth.

He makes wars cease
to the ends of the earth.

He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.

He says, “Be still, and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations,

I will be exalted in the earth.”

The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Betty Jean Tasler walked into the arms of Jesus, peacefully with her family by her side, on August 5, 2025, at the age of 94.

A beloved child of God, Betty lived her life with a joyful and positive outlook that flowed from her unwavering Christian faith. Each morning, she would begin with her favorite Bible verse: *“This is the day the Lord has made; I will rejoice and be glad in it.” – Psalm 118:24*

Betty was baptized, confirmed, and married in the Lutheran Church—a reflection of the deep roots of her Christian devotion. Her life was a testimony to grace of God and shaped by daily personal devotions, evening family prayers, Sunday Bible studies, various ladies’ and couples’ Bible study groups, and a life of service to others. Betty was born on January 15, 1931 to the late Abram and Clara (Gohr) Janzen of Mt. Lake, Minnesota. The youngest of four siblings, she spent her childhood exploring the outdoors with an adventurous spirit—her father fondly calling her a “tomboy,” and many knowing her as “Betty Jean.” Her favorite things to do with her father were playing checkers and bringing him lunch in the field. She enjoyed gardening, baking, and taking walks with her mother. A favorite family memory growing up was having a picnic on a rock pile west of their farmstead which the family affectionately called, Sleepy Hollow.

Betty attended elementary and high school in Mountain Lake, where she was a bright student, a very devoted and fun friend, and an enthusiastic cheerleader. In 1949, her classmates honored her as their 1949 Homecoming Queen. After graduation, Betty attended Mankato Commercial College to study banking, inspired by her grandfather, who had served as president of the Mountain Lake bank. Betty was a wise financial steward throughout her life.

Betty met the love of her life, Edward Tasler, through the local Lutheran Walther League. When he asked her to write to him while he was serving in the army at Camp Rucker, Alabama, she happily agreed. They were married on a crisp and sunny Valentine’s Day, February 14, 1954. She and Edward began their life together on a farm outside Sibley, Iowa, where their first three children were born, before settling on a farm near Jeffers, Minnesota. For over 50 years, they raised a family of seven children, instilling in them a deep Christian faith, strong work ethic, and a heart of service for others. One of their greatest achievements was all seven children receiving a university degree. Betty made every child, grandchild, and great-grandchild feel they were her #1.

Betty had a gift for hospitality and a reputation for her delicious baking and home cooking. She was happiest in her kitchen or garden—and was often found picking raspberries while listening to her beloved Minnesota Twins. Her flower arrangements, vegetables, and baked goods earned her numerous blue ribbons and championships at the Cottonwood County Fair. An exceptional seamstress, Betty crafted countless handmade gifts for her family, especially during the holidays. She passed her love for sewing on to her children and supported them in 4-H, where she also served as a longtime leader. Many young people reached the Minnesota State Fair thanks to her encouragement and guidance.

Betty’s life was deeply rooted in servant leadership. She held leadership roles in the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League, Ladies Aid, Garden Club, Vacation Bible School, and Lutheran Missions in Alaska with Ed. She was also a dedicated member of the Jeffers Legion Auxiliary for over 50 years. Betty was a breast cancer survivor and actively involved in Windom’s Relay for Life. In retirement, she volunteered at the Jeffers school, helping children learn to read and with Rainbows, a horse therapy program located in Windom. Through these activities, Betty became an adopted “grandma” to many. Betty loved to travel, making cherished memories across the United States, Europe, and Alaska. Some of her favorite places to visit were the Black Hills, Germany, and whichever child she was visiting at the time. No matter where she went, she loved coming home to the farm.

Betty’s warm and generous soul impacted so many lives. She welcomed everyone with a smile, a warm meal, fresh-baked goods, a cup of coffee, and a final “God bless you.” Her motto in life remained constant and lives through her children today “Faith, Family, and Friends.”

Betty Jean is survived by her two sons, **Daryl** (Elaine) of Windom and **Wayne** (Lynda) of Lithia, FL; four daughters, **Gayle** (Tom) Shore of Stillwater, **Fayth** (Chuck) Jensen of Lakeville, **Jolynn** (Kent) Janssen of Sherburn, and **Stacey** (Jeffrey) Crosson of Springfield, VA; son-in-law, Eugene (special friend, Sue) Arvidson of Parkers Prairie; twenty-four grandchildren; Kyle, Hali, Corey, Tyler, Brady, Kaylyn, Sean, Brett, Jenna, Lauryl, Ryan, Jessyca, Cassidy, TJ, Lucas, Lily, Sam, Ben, Thomas, Kennedy, Karter, Kooper, Ella, Ava; great-grandchildren, Ellia, Kit, Aiden, Emery, Kylan, Easton, Wyatt, Amelia, Emmalyn, Grace, Hannah, Isaac, Cedar, Amelia, Rowan, Aisley, Emrys, Isla, Jack, Noah, Madison, Emmalin, Aurora, Bailey, and two on the way; honorary sons, Ted (Deb) Horkey and Mike McFarland; two honorary grandchildren, Caleb Bedner and Riley Jones; sisters-in-law, Lou Tasler, Marian Niebuhr, Lorraine Janzen, and Odette Fast; brother-in-law, Rev. Robert (Carol) Tasler; along with many nieces and nephews; and many other relatives and friends.

Betty was preceded in death by her loving husband of 61 years, Edward Tasler; daughter, Jayne Arvidson; grandson, Karson Janssen; great-granddaughter, Adeline; parents, Abram and Clara (Gohr) Janzen; sister, Wilma (Mort) Jacobson; brothers, Kenneth Janzen and Harlan Janzen; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Edward A. and Martha (Woizeschke) Tasler; brothers-in-law, Fredrick “Fritz” (Wilma) Tasler, William “Bill” Tasler, and William “Bill” Niebuhr.

NUNC DIMITTIS

P: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies, and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

C: Lord, now let Your servant go in peace; Your Word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of every people; a light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: Jesus assures us this day, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies, and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

P: Let us pray.

Lord God, our Shepherd, You gather the lambs of Your flock into the arms of Your mercy and bring them home. Comfort us with certain hope of the Resurrection to everlasting life and a joyful reunion with those we love who have died in the faith; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EULOGY given by Wayne Tasler

READING "Blessing of a Steady Pillar" read by Gayle Shore

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and \dagger give you peace.

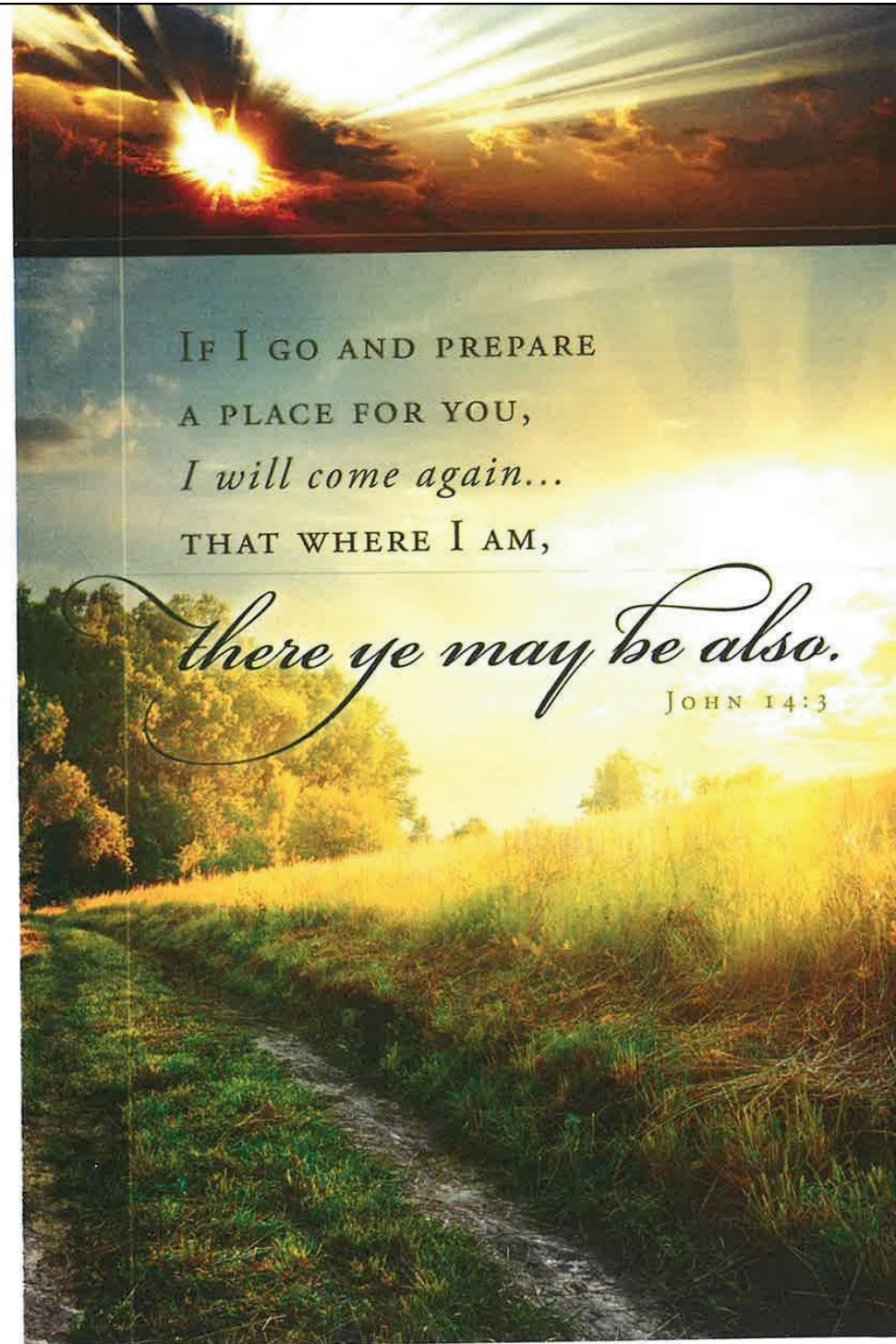
C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: "Angel Band Song"

by Niebuhr Brothers



Please join Betty's family for a luncheon and time of fellowship in the Church Fellowship Hall immediately following the service.



IF I GO AND PREPARE

A PLACE FOR YOU,

I will come again...

THAT WHERE I AM,

there ye may be also.

JOHN 14:3

Betty Jean Tasler

Born: January 15, 1931 in Mountain Lake, MN
Baptism: March 22, 1931 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Mountain Lake, MN
Confirmation: March 24, 1945 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Mountain Lake, MN
Confirmation Verse: "For you were brought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's" 1 Corinthians 6:20
Gone to her heavenly home: August 5, 2025, at Temperance Lake Ridge
Assisted Living in Sherburn, MN

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism
P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

P: In Holy Baptism Betty was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sin. St. Paul says: "Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"
C: We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. If we have been united with Him in His death, we will certainly also be united with Him in His resurrection.

PROCESSIONAL: "10,000 Reasons" by Niebuhr Brothers

OPENING HYMN: "I'm But a Stranger Here" LSB #748

1 I'm but a stranger here,
Heav'n is my home;
Earth is a desert drear,
Heav'n is my home.
Danger and sorrow stand
Round me on ev'ry hand;
Heav'n is my fatherland,
Heav'n is my home.

- 3
Though with a scornful wonder
The world sees her oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping;
Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.
- 4
Through toil and tribulation
And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.
- 5
Yet she on earth has union
With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav'nly chorus!
Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us,
May see You face to face.

MESSAGE: "What Did Mama Teach You?"

SCRIPTURE READING: Proverbs 31:10-31 read by Stacey Crosson

PRAYERS

P: Let us pray to the Lord our God and Father who raised Jesus from the dead.

After each portion of the prayers:

P: Lord in Your mercy

C: hear our prayer

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

P: God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

ALL: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen

Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation"

LSB #644

- 1 The Church's one foundation
 Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
 She is His new creation
 By water and the Word.
 From heav'n He came and sought her
 To be His holy bride;
 With His own blood He bought her,
 And for her life He died.
- 2 Elect from ev'ry nation,
 Yet one o'er all the earth;
 Her charter of salvation:
 One Lord, one faith, one birth.
 One holy name she blesses,
 Partakes one holy food,
 And to one hope she presses
 With ev'ry grace endued.

- 2 What though the tempest rage,
 Heav'n is my home;
 Short is my pilgrimage,
 Heav'n is my home;
 And time's wild wintry blast
 Soon shall be overpast;
 I shall reach home at last,
 Heav'n is my home.

- 3 Therefore I murmur not,
 Heav'n is my home;
 Whate'er my earthly lot,
 Heav'n is my home;
 And I shall surely stand
 There at my Lord's right hand;
 Heav'n is my fatherland,
 Heav'n is my home.

KYRIE

P: Lord, have mercy on us.
C: Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.
P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.
O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving kindness to Betty and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: **Proverbs 1:7-9**

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge;
fools despise wisdom and instruction.
Hear, my son, your father's instruction,
and forsake not your mother's teaching,
for they are a graceful garland for your head
and pendants for your neck.
P: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Special Music: "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" by Niebuhr Brothers

PSALM: 46 (KJV)

P: God is our refuge and strength,

C: a very present help in trouble.

P: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be removed,

C: and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea,

P: though its waters roar and be troubled,

C: though the mountains shake with its swelling.

P: There is a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God,

C: the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High.

P: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;

C: God shall help her, just at the break of dawn.

P: The nations raged, the kingdoms were moved;

C: He uttered His voice, the earth melted.

P: The LORD of hosts is with us;

C: the God of Jacob is our refuge.

P: Come, behold the works of the LORD,

C: who has made desolations in the earth.

P: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;

C: He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two;

He burns the chariots in the fire.

P: Be still, and know that I am God.

C: I will be exalted among the nations,

I will be exalted in the earth!

P: The LORD of hosts is with us;

C: the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Hymn: "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Vs. 1 Tasler Family Vs. 2-4 Congregation

LSB #725

1 Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.

2 God His own doth tend and nourish;
In His holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things He spares them;
In His mighty arms He bears them.

3 Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all He knoweth.

4 Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.

EPISTLE READING

Colossians 3:12-17

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

HOLY GOSPEL:

John 15:9-17

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 9th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.