

## *Remembering the Life of...*

Constance Louise Johnk was born on April 16, 1941, in Moorhead, MN to Fritz Carl Edward and Alice Mae (Cornish) Johnk. She grew up on a farm in rural Sabin, MN. She attended country school and then graduated from Moorhead High School in 1959. She worked at A & T Supply in Moorhead before marriage.

On November 23, 1962, Connie was united in marriage to Calvin John Schuster at Trinity Lutheran Church in Sabin, MN. The couple lived in Campbell, MN where Calvin and Connie farmed until 1966 when they moved to Brushvale, MN.

In 1969, after living in Moorhead, MN for a brief time, they moved the family to Barnesville, MN. In 1984, they moved to Fergus Falls until 1998, when they returned to Barnesville. During these years, she was well known for her upholstery business. Also during these years, she helped Calvin with the office work of ABC Seamless.

Calvin died in 2011. Connie continued to live in Barnesville. On April 19, 2014, she was united in marriage to John Ness and Connie gained more family members. They have lived in Barnesville the last nine years. Throughout her life, Connie enjoyed her flower gardens, embroidering, dancing, and decorating the inside and outside of her house at Christmas time. Connie's grandchildren and family were very important to her. She was a member of Our Saviors Lutheran Church.

Connie is survived by her husband John Ness, Barnesville, MN; one son Harold (Shelley) Schuster, Lakeville, MN, one daughter Debra (Darcy) Brandt, rural Comstock, MN, grandchildren: Matthew (Sarah) Schuster, Megan (David) Benjamin, and Kayla (Josh) Garcia, Abby (Corey) Praska and Beau Brandt, 4 ½ great grandchildren: Clara, Elias, Easton, and Mia, siblings: Ronald Johnk, Beverly (Laurence) Butenhoff, Lila Krebs, Mark (Traci Krabbenhoft) Johnk, Mary (Dennis) Ward, and Robert (Lynn) Johnk, and several nieces and nephews, step children: Brenda (Gary) Altenbrendt, Darla (Greg) Ackerson, Michael (Lois) Ness, grandchildren: Dannica (Patrick) Olsen, Mason (Carly) Montplaisir, Johnathon Ness, Jordan Ness, Morgan Braton, and five great grandchildren, surviving in-laws: Gloria Beyers, Joyce Larson, Claudia Schuster, Ann Olsgaard. She was preceded in death by her first husband Calvin in 2011, and her parents Fritz and Alice.

Connie died at her home in Barnesville after battling Leukemia, on Sunday, April 2, 2023, at the age of 81 years, 11 months, and 17 days.

*May Her Memory Be Blessed*

## *In Celebration For The Life Of*



*Connie Ness*

*April 16, 1941 ~ April 2, 2023*



## “After”

After the snow of winter,  
Spring will surely come,  
Bringing warmth and beauty  
Of blossoms and birdsong.

~

After the rain, the swallow  
Will soar again on high,  
And a rainbow follow  
In a sunlit sky.

~

After the tears of sorrow  
Spirits will renew,  
And a bright tomorrow  
With God's help see you through.

~*Elsie Natalie Brady*



## *In Loving Memory of* Constance “Connie” Louise Ness

### FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday, April 8, 2023 at 2:00 PM  
Our Savior’s Lutheran Church  
Barnesville, Minnesota

### OFFICIATING

Reverend Chris Leach

### MUSIC

Karen Kalinowski~ Pianist  
Kayla & Josh Garcia~ Vocalists  
*“In The Garden”*

Congregational Hymns led by Megan & David Benjamin

*“How Great Thou Art”*

*“Amazing Grace”*

*“Just A Closer Walk With Thee”*

### PALLBEARERS

Abby Praska Beau Brandt Matthew Schuster  
Kayla Garcia Megan Benjamin Corey Praska

### INTERMENT

City Cemetery  
rural Barnesville, Minnesota

### APPRECIATION

On behalf of Connie’s family, thank you for your love and support throughout her life. We appreciate your prayers and your time as her life is honored. Please join us for a time of food and fellowship following the funeral service.

*Arrangements Entrusted to Dobmeier Funeral Home  
Barnesville, Minnesota*