

Linda J. Villiard, 69, Moorhead, MN, passed away on Thursday, June 4, 2026, in Bethany on 42nd, Fargo, ND

Linda Jo Villiard, a devoted nurse, cherished daughter, sister, cousin and friend was born September 25, 1956, the daughter of Joseph and Hazel (Hanson) Villiard in Moorhead, MN. She was raised in Moorhead and graduated from Moorhead High School. It was during these years Linda discovered her heartfelt calling for caring for others, a passion that would shape her life and career. Linda's journey in nursing began as a Candy Stripper at St. Angar's Hospital in Moorhead, followed by her role as a Certified Nursing Assistant at Bethany in Fargo. Committed to advancing her skills, she pursued her nursing degree from Detroit Lakes (MN) Technical College.

Linda's professional path began at St. Luke's/MeritCare Hospital where she worked as NICU nurse for many years. She then would go on to work as a charge nurse at on Rosewood on Broadway in Fargo. Embracing new opportunities later in her career, Linda worked as a traveling nurse on the East Coast, including assignments in Martha's Vinyard and the The Berkshires. In time, as her health began to decline, Linda retired and continued to live in Moorhead before moving to Bethany on 42nd in Fargo.

In her leisure time, Linda found joy in knitting and crafting hundreds of slippers over the years. She also enjoyed playing piano and treasured time at the lake with her family. One of her greatest pleasures was traveling, especially with her mother, sharing wonderful trips to places such as Las Vegas and Hawaii.

Linda's life was marked with kindness, compassion, and a warmth she shared with those around her. She will be fondly remembered and deeply missed.

She is survived by her brother, Duane Villiard, Moorhead; special political friend, Miles Wagner; and longtime friend, Char Eckert; and many cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents.



Celebrating the Life of
Linda J. Villiard
September 25, 1956 - June 4, 2026





Celebration of Linda's Life

Saturday, June 13, 2026 ~ 11:00 AM

Trinity Lutheran Church

Moorhead, Minnesota

Officiating

Pastor Matt Peterson

Eulogist

John Villiard

Scripture Readings

Ephesians 2:4-10 John 3:16

Special Recorded Music

Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

Go Rest High On That Mountain

The Lord's Prayer

Give Me Jesus

John Bedore, guitar and vocalist

Vicki Larson, accompanist

Honorary Urn Bearers

All Nurses in attendance

Nightingale Tribute

Nurse Honor Guard Red River Valley

Final Resting Place

Moorhead Memorial Gardens

Moorhead, Minnesota



The family of Linda J. Villiard thanks you for your presence here today and for your many acts of kindness. Following the Celebration of Life Service please join the family for a time of lunch and a time of fellowship.

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,
and whispered

Peace be Thine.