



*It is a deep mystery,  
This matter of life and death...*

*That the same person  
Who brought us a thousand joys,  
Can one day leave us shedding a thousand tears...*

*So suddenly, sometimes  
That we grope blindly for words left unspoken,  
And for the hug we need to give, to say goodbye.  
And we wonder,  
How this thread that holds us all to life  
Can be so thin and fragile...*

*Until one day, we find the courage to accept  
That the living aren't meant to understand death,  
Only to celebrate life  
And to remember that the only real death  
is forgetting.*



**Memorial Service**  
Saturday, April 29, 2023 ~ 11:00 a.m.  
Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
McIntosh, Minnesota

**Officiating**  
Rev. Rene Mehlberg

**Organist**  
Rachel Roggenbuck

**Special Music**  
Philip Lee ~ "Paradise" "On Eagle's Wings"  
*Philip accompanied by Rachel Roggenbuck*



Charles Svalen ~ "The Lord's Prayer"  
*Charles accompanied by Diane Boucher*

**Honorary Pallbearers**  
All of Jane's family and friends

**Place of Rest**  
Salem Lutheran Cemetery  
Rural McIntosh, Minnesota



The QR code is Jane's tribute slideshow. Simply hold your phone's camera over the code and press the link that appears.

Jane Rose (Hedman) Olson was born on September 4, 1930, to Otto and Hilda Sayre in Duluth, Minnesota. Jane was nine years old when she moved with her mother to McIntosh, Minnesota. She graduated from McIntosh High School in 1948.

She married Kermit Hedman on December 3, 1949. They had five children, Linda, Barbara, Vionne, Marilyn and Kurtis. In later years, Jane reconnected with her high school sweetheart, Gordon Olson, and they were married on June 26, 1998. Jane had many jobs in the surrounding area. Her last place of employment was at Palubicki's grocery store in Fosston where she worked for 25 years.

Jane was active in her community, including being a member of the Auxiliary, Ladies Aid, Circle (through Our Savior's Church), and sewing quilts for missions. Jane had many interests, including Knitting, sewing, crocheting, cooking, reading, and helping others in her community.

When she was no longer able to live independently she was a resident of Poplar Meadows and McIntosh Senior Living. In August of 2022, Jane moved to Coon Rapids to be closer to her daughter, Vionne. She resided at Select Senior Living (Coon Rapids) and Benedictine Living Community (New Brighton).

Jane was preceded in death by her parents, Otto and Hilda; her first husband, Kermit; her second husband, Gordon; and four children, Marilyn Peterson, Barbara Hedman, Linda Knudson, and Kurtis Hedman.

She is survived by her daughter, Vionne Ellingson (Dennis), stepdaughter, Val Getter (Larry), and stepson, Terry Olson; grandchildren, Miki Ellingboe (Jay), Joe Knudson (Beth), Jessica Hajicek (Rod), Brian Peterson (Vanessa), Derek Ellingson (Rachel), Grant Ellingson (Ashley), and Kaylah Emerson (Matt). 16 grandchildren and many, many friends.

Jane was a very caring, loving, helpful, and generous person. She love the Lord, her family and friends.

**Blessed be her memory**



*Celebrating the Life of*

**Jane Rose Olson**

September 4, 1930



February 20, 2023