



*God saw she was getting tired
And a cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around her
And whispered, "Come with Me."*

*With tearful eyes we watched her suffer
And saw her fade away,
Although we loved her dearly
We could not make her stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating
Hard working hands to rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Donna Mae Johnson

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Saturday, December 16, 2023-2:00 p.m.
Grace Lutheran Church
Erhard, Minnesota

CLERGY

Pastor Brad Soenksen

REMEMBRANCES

Jeremy Johnson-Grandson

POEM

Mitchell Johnson-Grandson

MUSIC

Guitarist-Lee Brenna

– Congregational Hymns –

"Amazing Grace"

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Duet-Laura Hagen and Lee Brenna

"In The Garden"

"I Can Only Imagine"

URN BEARERS

Grandsons:

Jeremy Johnson, Nathan Pieske, Casey Johnson
Zachary Strand, Jacob Johnson, Mitchell Johnson

HONORARY URN BEARERS

Donna's remaining grandchildren

INTERMENT IN THE SPRING

North Immanuel Cemetery
Rural Pelican Rapids, Minnesota

Donna's family gratefully acknowledges your attendance and many kind expressions of sympathy during their time of loss and invite you to join them for lunch and fellowship following the service.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF...

Donna Mae Johnson, a beloved member of the Pelican Rapids community, passed away on December 10, 2023, at the age of 92 at Sanford Broadway Hospice House, Fargo, ND. She was born on August 20, 1931, to Sigrud and Olga (Ness) Larson in Maddock, North Dakota and her stepmom Gudrun Nyhus was a big part of her life. Donna grew up in Fergus Falls, Minnesota, where she attended and graduated from Fergus Falls High School.

Throughout her life, Donna held various jobs, including working at Peters Jewelers, Kraning Jeweler, and Fashion Bug in Fergus Falls. However, her true joy and fulfillment came from being a dedicated wife and mother. Donna married Edwin Johnson on September 6, 1952, at North Immanuel Lutheran Church in rural Pelican Rapids. Together, they raised four incredible children.

Donna had a zest for life and found joy in spending time with her family. She loved being surrounded by her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, cherishing every moment with them. Donna was actively involved in her community, participating in the Women's Golf League and the local bowling league. She also enjoyed snowmobiling during the winter months and tending to her beautiful flower garden. Donna displayed her deep faith as a member of North Immanuel Lutheran Church and later at Grace Lutheran Church. She was also a valued member of the American Legion Auxiliary and served as treasurer.

Donna's kind heart and warm smile left a lasting impact on everyone who had the pleasure of knowing her. She will be dearly missed by her children: Steven (Jodie) Johnson of Boring, Oregon, Brenda (Gregg Gietzen) Martinson of West Fargo, North Dakota, Brian (Judy) Johnson of Pelican Rapids, Minnesota; and son-in-law Dennis Pieske of Willmar, Minnesota. She also leaves behind ten adoring grandchildren: Jeremy (Lisa) Johnson, Staci (Matt) Butler, Amanda (Justin) Frahm, Tascha (Brock) Butler, Nathan (Stephanie) Pieske, Casey (Kelley Wilhelmi) Johnson, Zachary (Elizabeth) Strand, Jacob (Jena Smedshammer) Johnson, Mitchell (Ashley Schmidt) Johnson, Christa (Mike Joyce) Johnson; 18 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. Donna is survived by her brother, Warren Larson, her sister, Connie (Arvid) Honrud, and sisters-in-law: Elenora Tollerud of Apple Valley, MN, Betty Engelstad of Milwaukie, OR, Virgie (Duane) Brandt of Moorhead, MN; and several nieces, nephews, and friends.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Edwin Johnson, her daughter Vicki Pieske, her brothers Dean Larson, Don (Eunice) Larson, and Wally (Laura) Larson, and her sister Shirley Provo. She was also preceded in death by her brothers-in-law Arnold Johnson, Ervin (Eileen) Johnson, and John Johnson, as well as her sisters-in-law Marion (Frank) Prim and Jeanette (Irvin) Tollerud.

Blessed Be The Memory Of Donna Mae Johnson

