

Fern Lillian (Mattfeld) Boedigheimer, age 93 of Perham, MN died peacefully at Perham Living.

Fern was born March 5, 1930 in Frazee, MN to William and Lillian (McGowan) Mattfeld. She moved to Perham in fifth grade and graduated in 1948 from Perham High School. She was united in marriage to Jim G. Boedigheimer on August 23, 1952 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church. She worked for Dr. Biegler's office for 25 years. She was a very busy lady as they farmed, raised their five children, and ran their liquor store in Ottertail for many years. In 1980, they built Blue Horizon Ballroom and loved all the dances, weddings, and friendships they gained. Fern volunteered for over 37 years at Perham Living, Perham High School, and was an active Christian Mothers member. She was the most loving, nurturing, best caregiver ever.

Surviving Fern are her five children: Terry (Pamela) Boedigheimer of Perham, Debra (Daniel) Zacharias of Richville, Diane Wanner of Perham, Brenda (DonDray) Baumgart of Perham, and Becky (John) Schornack of Dent; 16 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Fern was preceded in death by her husband Jim; daughter Mary; sons-in-law Gary Wanner and John Baumgart; four sisters; and one great-grandson John Bensen.

Fern's family thanks you for all of your expressions of sympathy. No thank-you cards will be sent.



In Loving

M E M O R Y



Fern Lillian Boedigheimer

March 5, 1930 - February 29, 2024



Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path **God** laid for me.

I took His hand when I heard Him call

I turned my back and left it all

I could not stay another day

To laugh, to love, to work or play

Tasks left undone must stay that way

I found that peace at the close of the day

If my parting has left a void

Then fill it with remembered

A friendship shared,

a laugh, a kiss Ah, yes, these things I too will miss

Be not burdened with times of sorrow

I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow

My life has been full, I've savored much

Good friends, good times,

a loved one's touch

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief

Lift up your heart and share with me

God wanted me now, He set me **FREE!**

Memorial Mass

Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

Perham, Minnesota

Officiant

Father George Michael

Musician

Erin Anderson

Musical Selections

"All I Ask Of You"

"Keep Going On"

"On Eagle's Wings"

"Song of Farewell"

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

Readings

Proverbs 31:25-31

Responsorial Psalm 23; *"The Lord is my shepherd,
there is nothing I shall want."*

Romans 14:7-9, 10c-12

Matthew 5:1-12

Urn Bearers

Jackie Englund - Brandon Boedigheimer

Jacob Schornack - Matthew Schornack

Keith Schornack - Billy Baumgart - Stacy Kinnen

Honorary Urn Bearers

Chris Boedigheimer - Jenny Geiser - Rhonda Bakke

Josh Zacharias - Jason Zacharias - Erica Zerr

Kristi Wanner-Ravenscraft - Dena Wanner-Perry

Amanda Bensen

Interment

St. Lawrence Catholic Church Cemetery

Perham, Minnesota