

Bettie Bernice Zimmerman was born in Mobridge, SD on November 5, 1934. She attended and graduated from school in Mobridge SD in 1952 where she was involved in Glee Club and the yearbook staff. Bettie enjoyed sewing her entire life and this love developed during her school years. In 1954, Bettie married her hometown sweetheart, Leo Reis and began their life together. Bettie enjoyed the early years in Mobridge, maintaining the family home and raising their 3 children. In 1967, Bettie and the family moved to Enderlin, ND.

In 1978, Bettie began working as a cook at the Enderlin Senior Center. She thoroughly enjoyed working with the elderly and continued working there for 28 years. Sometime in the mid-1980s, Leo enlisted and volunteered Bettie to manage and cook at the Enderlin hometown café. Her knowledge, skill, and love of cooking showed through as the residents of Enderlin filled the café daily.

Upon Leo's retirement in 2006, Bettie and Leo moved to Alexandria, MN in order to be closer to family. Bettie was extremely active at St. Mary's Catholic Church. She enjoyed volunteering for blood drives through the American Red Cross organization in Alexandria and coffee dates with her wonderful friends.

Bettie Reis was called home to her eternal rest on June 17, 2019, after a brief illness. Bettie is survived by two daughters; Paula Bergstrand (Paul) of Alexandria, MN; Kari Janz (Steve) of Barnum, MN; and one son, Chuck (Bonnie Beaton) of Meridian, Idaho. Nine Grandchildren; Haley Kalina (Patrick), Mark Bergstrand (Maria), Ann Johnson (Robert), Ellie Bergstrand, Brittani Janz (Nick Rosenberg), Natalie Beckstrand (Jon), Zachary Janz (Sam LaFontaine), Taylor and Jordan Reis. Nine Great-grandchildren; Emma Janz, Carlos, Julian, Daymain and Nicolas Beckstrand, Sam, Millie, and Charlotte Kalina, and George Johnson; two brothers, Jerry Zimmerman of Rapid City, SD; and Dennis Zimmerman (Carol) of Belle Fourche, SD; and one sister, Pam Zimmerman of Fargo, ND. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leo; parents, Samuel and Sophie Zimmerman, and brothers Lyle and Harold Zimmerman.

The joys of Bettie's life were her family and in particular her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Bettie approached everything she did with a tenacious spirit; which was evident in quilting, canning, gardening, sewing, and volunteering. She will be dearly missed for her dry wit, strength of will, loving heart, and her willingness to care for others.

In Loving Memory



Bettie Bernice Reis
1934 - 2019

I'm Free

*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 his call,
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My Life's been full, I savoured 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.*

Bettie Bernice Reis

November 5, 1934 ✠ June 17, 2019

Mass of Christian Burial

Saturday, June 22, 2019 10:30 AM

ORDER OF SERVICE

This order of service is coordinated with the Rite of Christian Burial booklet you received at the door. Place the book at the end of the pew as you depart. We need them all for future liturgies.

Introductory Rite (pgs. 1-2)

Processional: "Just A Closer Walk"

Gathering Song: "How Great Thou Art," pg. 36

Liturgy of the Word (pgs. 2-3)

Reading: Proverbs 31:25-31

Response Psalm "Here Am I, Lord," pg. 7

Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10

Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia," pg. 2 (stand)

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:13-35

Homily Hymn: "Jesus Loves Me"

Petitions

Liturgy of the Eucharist (pgs. 3-6)

Preparation of Gifts: "The Prayer"

Communion Song: "Without Seeing You," pg. 25

Final Commendation (pg. 6)

Song of Farewell: "O Loving God," pg. 11

Recessional: "When the Saints Go Marching In"