

## **Gone**

*You can shed tears  
because I am gone,  
or you can smile  
because I lived.*

*You can close your eyes  
and pray I will come back,  
or you can open your eyes  
and see all that I left for you.*

*Your heart can be empty  
because you can't see me,  
or you can be full of the  
love we shared.*

*You can turn your back on  
tomorrow and live yesterday,  
or you can be happy for  
tomorrow because of yesterday.*

*You can remember  
only that I am gone,  
or you can cherish my  
memory and let it live on.*

*You can cry and close  
your mind and feel empty,  
or you can do what I would want:  
smile...open your heart...live.*

*~Elizabeth Ammons*

## **In Loving Memory**



**Betty Lou Glaesemann**  
**1930 ~ 2020**

### **The Twenty-Third Psalm**

*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.*

*He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:*

*He leadeth me beside the still waters.*

*He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the  
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art  
with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.*

*Thou preparest a table before me in the presence  
of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with  
oil: my cup runneth over.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the  
house of the Lord forever.*

### **Betty Lou GLAESEMANN**

**August 8, 1930 ~ March 2, 2020**

Betty Lou was born on August 8, 1930, to Adolph J. and Pauline (Dockter) Schmidtgal in Max, ND, the fourth of five children. She was raised in Drake, ND, and graduated in 1948 from Drake High School with honors as Valedictorian. School activities included cheerleading, class plays, Pep Club and serving as Editor - In - Chief of the 1948 school yearbook. She had fond memories of working at the Drake Pharmacy during her high school years.

On June 11, 1948, she married Wilbur (Buzz) O. Glaesemann at the United Methodist Church in Drake, ND. They subsequently moved to Glenwood, MN, where Buzz was employed as a telegrapher for the Soo Line Railroad. In 1951 she was diagnosed with tuberculosis and spent two and a half years at San Haven Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Dunseith, ND. After recovery, she and Buzz moved to Enderlin, ND. During many of her years in Enderlin, she worked at Peoples & Enderlin State Bank starting as a bookkeeper, advancing to teller and later, Assistant Cashier. She greatly enjoyed working with bank clients and numbers. She also participated in many community activities including serving as an election judge, member of Trinity Lutheran Church and various church groups, and was a member of the General Federation of Women.

Betty enjoyed the outdoors, golfing and working in her vegetable garden or tending her many flowers. She also enjoyed shopping. She could spend a whole day shopping and not buy a thing while always looking for a good deal on sale. She took pride in looking her best and for special occasions or work, making sure her outfit was complete from head to toe. She was an avid bowler and her bowling teams made many tournament trips, including the nationals, creating memories with lifelong friends. She also enjoyed casino trips with her girlfriends, which many times resulted in bringing home winnings. She was one lucky lady!! In general, Betty was a social person and had many friends.

In May of 2012, she moved to Alexandria, MN and became a resident of Nelson Gables, an assisted living facility. This allowed her to be close to her son and receive help as needed. Betty peacefully passed away March 2, 2020, at 89, after many months of declining health. She will be dearly missed.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and siblings, Edna, Earl, Ted and Bob. She is survived by son, Dick and his wife, Margie of Alexandria, MN, grandson Michael of Alexandria, MN, granddaughter Tracy and her husband, Terry Falcomata, and their children, Jack and Wyatt, of Round Rock, TX and several nieces and nephews.