

Karen Grace Johnson was born on February 23, 1940, at the Montevideo-Chippewa County Hospital to Ervin and Grace (Schroeder) Sulflow. She was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church of Havelock Township.

Karen attended eight years of country school and four years at Morris Ag School, graduating in 1957. She worked at Northwestern State Bank for 6 years. In 1962, Karen married Alvern “Vernie” Johnson. This union was blessed with two children, Todd and Melinda.

Karen was Vernie’s right-hand partner in farming for over 38 years. She was very active in the Augustana Lutheran Church, serving as Sunday school teacher, youth leader, ladies’ aid, and was church caretaker for many years. In her later years she was giving of her time through community work, especially with Meals on Wheels and the food shelf.

Karen enjoyed spending time with her family, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She enjoyed baking (her chocolate chip cookies, kringla, and lefse were enjoyed by many), gardening, and fishing at Maple Lake.

On Sunday, August 7th, 2022, at the age of 82, Karen passed away surrounded by loved ones at her home in Clarkfield. She was preceded in death by her parents; two infant sons; grandson, Nicholas Johnson; sister, Betty O’Connor, and brother, Robert Sulflow.

Karen will be greatly missed by her husband Vernie; children, Todd (Jolene) Johnson and Melinda (Jody) Rokusek; grandchildren, Brooke (Ryan) Dare, Logan (Sammy) Johnson, Dylan (Kelly) Johnson, Rachel (Caden) Laleman, Brandon (Gabrielle) Rokusek, Makayla (special friend, Andy) Rokusek; great-grandchildren, Benjamin and Nolan Dare and Emmett Rokusek; sister, Kathy (Mel) Luepke; sister-in-law, Gloria Sulflow, and many nieces and nephews.

Blessed be her memory.

We wish to thank everyone for their kindness and support as we navigate through our loss. Please accept our sincere thanks and gratitude in lieu of a thank you card.

~The Family of Karen Johnson~

In Loving Memory



Karen Grace Johnson

1940~ 2022

Legacy of Love

A wife, a mother, a grandma too,

This is the legacy we have from you.

You taught us how to love and how to fight,

You gave us strength, you gave us might.

A stronger person would be hard to find,

And in your heart you were always kind.

You fought for us all in one way or another,

Not just as a wife, not just as a mother.

For all of us you gave your best,

Now the time has come for you to rest.

So go in peace, you've earned your sleep.

Your love in our hearts, we'll eternally keep.

In Memory of

Karen Grace Johnson

February 23, 1940



August 7, 2022

Celebration of Life

Augustana Lutheran Church

Clarkfield, Minnesota

Saturday, August 20th, 2022

11 AM

Officiant

Vicar Mort Meyenburg

Pianist

Kathy Koetter

Urnbearer

Todd Johnson

Honorary Urnbearers

Brooke Dare

Logan Johnson

Dylan Johnson

Rachel Laleman

Brandon Rokusek

Makayla Rokusek

Benjamin Dare

Nolan Dare

Emmett Rokusek

Interment

Fridhem Cemetery

Rural Clarkfield, Minnesota

