

Carolyn D. (Ray) Larson being holy, kind, giving, and compassionate passed peacefully into heaven to be with the Lord on November 6, 2017, at the age of 88.

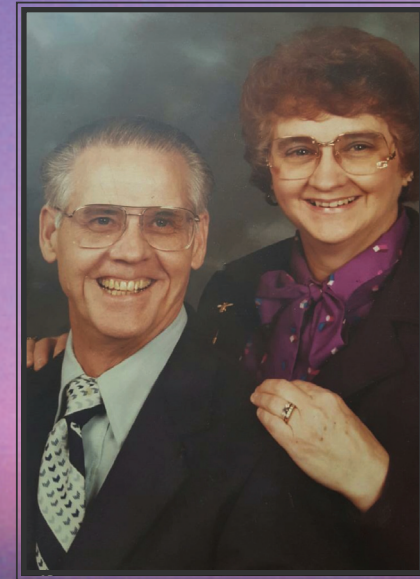
Carolyn was born July 17, 1929, in Murdo, SD to Charles J. and Katherine (Bridgeford) Ray. They moved to Sioux Falls, SD when she was about 6 years old. Carolyn attended school and helped with her mother's piano sales in their house and then cared for her mother in the same house. She graduated from Cathedral High School in Sioux Falls, class of 1947. On

December 29, 1951, Carolyn married Al Larson and they moved to Memphis, TN so Al could finish his optometric education. They then moved to Mandan, ND where they made their home south of town, started their family, and resided their whole life. Carolyn held several different jobs until she succumbed to the fact that God wanted her to be a loving wife and mother of WHAT?!? 8 KIDS! and office manager/accountant to her husband's optometric practice second. She was a volunteer for several non-profit organizations in the Mandan-Bismarck area and a member of Spirit of Life Catholic Church. Carolyn was a lifetime member of D.A.R. and also the Red Hat Club. She enjoyed traveling, especially her trips to the Holy Land, France, London, Bermuda, Norway, and Australia. She loved genealogy, watching auto racing, volunteering, social time, starting a cancer support group, and any time spent with her grandchildren, great grandchildren, family, and friends. Carolyn was a generous and giving person all of her life. Continuing this, she chose to donate her body to the UND Medical School. Burial will take place at a later date.

Surviving are eight children, Marcene, AZ, Brian, GA, Julie (Ross) Haibeck, Mandan, Remy (Mary), WY, Page (Mari), Mandan, Glen, Mandan, Jay (Jennifer), NC, and Minette (Casey), Mandan; 16 grandchildren, Clint Lawton, AZ, Kirt Lawton, MA, Wayne Lawton, PA, Eric Larson, GA, Kari, Krystal, Kasie Haibeck, Mandan, Jeremy (Kristine) Scherer, MT, Megan (Jeremy) Ensign, Lincoln, ND, Eli (Christina) Severson, Lincoln, ND, Lee (Sarah) Larson, NE, Brian Alex Larson, CA, Sydney Kool, NC, Abigail Larson, NC, Clinton Alyea, Brien, ND, and Cody (Ali) Alyea, Mandan; 13 great grandchildren; and two sister-in-laws, Grace Tillery and Marion Larson.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Dr. A.L. Larson in 2000; her parents; one sister, Marion Dejmek; and three brothers, Charles, James, and Carleton.

Please share your remembrances and condolences at www.BuehlerLarson.com.



Peace

I Leave with you,

My Peace

I give you.

John 14:37

IN LOVING MEMORY

Carolyn D. Larson

JULY 17, 1929 ~ NOVEMBER 6, 2017

Come Home To Hope

Allow yourself the time you need to grieve and heal.

Allow God and your friends to minister to you.

Each day will bring you closer
to healing.

As Shakespeare says,

“What wound did ever heal
but by degrees?”

One day you will suddenly
realize that you are coping,
though you may not know
when or how it took place.

And you will feel the peace and joy of your heart's healing.



Vigil and Rosary

Vigil Presider

Funeral Liturgy

Celebrant

Musicians

Reader

Pallbearers

Honorary Pallbearers

Tuesday, November 7, 2017; 7:00 PM

Deacon Gary Mizeur

Wednesday, November 8, 2017; 10:30 AM

Spirit of Life Catholic Church, Mandan, North Dakota

Monsignor Chad Gion

Spirit of Life Music Ministry

Mary Larson

All Carolyn's Grandchildren

Daughters of American Revolution

Prelude

“Better is One Day”

Opening

“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 63

“My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, my God.”

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:31-46

Homily

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts Song

“Be Not Afraid”

Presentation of Gifts

Grandchildren

Consecration of Eucharist

Communion Songs

“You are Mine” & “Open My Eyes”

Final Commendation

“Song of Farewell”

Closing Song

“Be Still”

*The family invites you for lunch and fellowship at the church,
immediately following the funeral service.
Committal will take place at a later date.*