



Do not stand at my grave and weep.  
 I am not there. I do not sleep.  
 I am a *thousand winds*  
 that blow.  
 I am the diamond glint on snow.  
 I am the sunlight on ripened grain.  
 I am the gentle autumn rain.  
 When you wake in morning *hush*  
 I am the swift uplifting rush  
 Of quiet birds in circling flight.  
 I am the *soft starlight* at night.  
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IN LOVING MEMORY  
*Darlene "Toby" Marie Pulju*

**Born:** October 18, 1932 ~ Menahga, Minnesota

**Died:** February 29, 2020 ~ Wadena, Minnesota

**Service:** Karvonen Funeral Home ~ Wadena, Minnesota  
 Thursday, March 5, 2020 ~ 11:00 a.m.

**Clergy:** Pastor Jim Stoneman

**Pallbearers:** Kelly Pulju ~ Kasey Pulju ~ Michael Pulju ~ Corby Pulju  
 Brandon Kopischke ~ Zach Pohto ~ Jeremy Northcutt

**Survived By**

Children: Joe Pulju; Larry (Candace) Pulju; Keith Pulju; Gary Pulju; Terry (Karen) Pulju; Sheila (Grant) Pohto; 12 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; daughters-in-law: Pegi Pulju and Laurie Kopischke-Pulju; sisters: Connie (Carl) Johnson; and Arlis Kern; brother: Lester Zentner; brother-in-law: Dick Harsha; many other relatives and a host of friends.

**Laid to Rest**

Jim Cook Cemetery ~ Menahga, Minnesota

Darlene "Toby" Marie (Zentner) Pulju was born on October 18, 1932 to Lester and Evelena (Blanchard) Zentner in Menahga, Minnesota. She attended school in Menahga.

On January 3, 1949 Toby was united in marriage to Melvin Howard Pulju in Park Rapids, Minnesota. Their marriage was blessed with eight children: Mel Jr., Joe, Larry, Keith, Don, Gary, Terry, and Sheila. Together they made their home in Wadena, Minnesota.

Toby was employed at Keys Café and Todd-Wadena Electric. She also worked at the Wadena Deer Creek School, cooking and helping at Kids Club. She loved going to baseball games, especially the Huntersville Horseflies. Darlene enjoyed cooking, playing bingo and watching The Price is Right and spending time with her family.

On February 29, 2020 Toby passed away with her loving family by her side at Tri County Health Care in Wadena, Minnesota. She will be dearly missed by her family and friends. Preceding Darlene in death are her parents: Lester and Evelena; husband, Melvin Pulju; sons: Don "Duck" Pulju; and Mel Jr.; sister: Donna Harsha; sister-in-law: Kathy Zentner; and brother-in-law: Dave Kern.

