



Carol Maxine (Anderson) Rensberger was born in Summit, South Dakota on March 11, 1925 to Andrew and Cecelia (From) Anderson. She married Ralph Rensberger on September 12, 1948 in Milbank, South Dakota. Ralph and Carol moved to Dawson in 1950 to establish the Rensberger Rexall Drug Store. She and Ralph were partners in the business where her specialty was managing the store's inventory and gift shop and serving as the greeting committee and joke teller. Her many

interests included spectator sports and music events for her four children, study club, VFW Legion Auxiliary, Christian Women's Club, reading, gardening, and singing in the First Presbyterian Church choir. She was active in her church, teaching Sunday School, serving as a Ruling Elder and as President of United Presbyterian Women. She was a Cub Scout den mother for several years. Carol and Ralph enjoyed 10 winters in Mesa, Arizona following decades of enjoyment at their summer cabin on Big Stone Lake.

Carol is survived by her sons: Keith (Mary Beth) and Lee (Debra), and daughter, Julie (Tom) Leever. She has been blessed with seven grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph; daughter, Janet; great-grandson, Hunter Rensberger; her parents; and five siblings.

Carol Rensberger passed away on Friday, October 23, 2020 at Johnson Memorial Care Center in Dawson at the age of 95.

May her memory be blessed.



For Those I Love and For Those Who Love Me . . .

**When I am gone, release me, let me go
I have so many things to see and do.
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears,
Be happy that we had so many years.
I gave you my love. You can only guess
How much you gave to me in happiness
I thank you for the love you have shown,
But now it's time I traveled on alone.
So grieve a while for me if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for a while that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart.
I won't be far away, for life goes on
So if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near,
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,
All of my love around you soft and clear.
And then when you must come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile, and "Welcome Home".**

In Loving Memory

Carol Rensberger

March 11, 1925 – October 23, 2020

In Loving Memory Of
Carol Rensberger

MEMORIAL SERVICE
Saturday, July 10, 2021 11:00 AM
First Presbyterian Church — Dawson, MN

A TIME OF GATHERING

It is appointed unto all once to die. There is a time to be born and a time to die. One generation passes away and another comes. All flesh is as grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flowers fades; the Word of our God stands forever.

HYMN OF FAITH: *Blessed Assurance*

PSALTER: Psalm 23

Almighty and everlasting God, Lord of life and death, we acknowledge you in all our ways and in all the events that befall us. In quietness and confidence we have gathered here for these last rites of faith and love. Lift us above the shadow of mortality into the light and comfort of your presence. Raise our thoughts from this changeful life to the calm eternity in which you dwell, and to those things which know no change save from glory to glory. Amid the decay of visible things draw nigh to us, Holy Comforter, and speak your word of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
AMEN

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READING: II Timothy 4:7-8

SPECIAL MUSIC: *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

GOSPEL: John 14:1-7

HOMILY: Tis the Same House

Holy One, before whom generations rise and pass away, we praise you for all your servants who, having lived this life in faith, now live eternally with you. Today we thank you for your servant Carol Rensberger, whose baptism is now complete in death. We praise you for the gift of her life, for all in her that was good, kind and faithful, for the grace you gave her, that kindled in Carol the love of your dear name, and enabled her to serve you faithfully.

We thank you that for Carol death is past and pain ended, that she has now entered the joy you prepared; through Christ Jesus our Lord.

AMEN

APOSTLE'S CREED

SPECIAL MUSIC: *It Is Well with My Soul*

COMMENDATION

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Carol. Acknowledge we humbly pray, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints of life. AMEN

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OF HOPE: *Safe in the Arms of Jesus*

BLESSING:

POSTLUDE:

OFFICIANT: Rev. Herbert Rotunda

ORGANIST: Florence Gebur

SPECIAL MUSIC: Doug & Sharilyn Bates
Marilyn Twete