



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# Marlene Johannsen



**WHO WAS BORN**

June 13, 1938  
Wilmot, South Dakota

**AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME**

September 17, 2024  
Wilmot, South Dakota

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

Monday, September 23, 2024 - 2:00 p.m.  
Wilmot Lutheran Church  
Wilmot, South Dakota

**OFFICIANT**

Rev. Kay Reeb

**MUSICIAN**

Cora Jones, Pianist

**CASKET BEARERS**

Calvin Pedersen | Mike Pedersen | Andrew Johannsen  
Bruce Johannsen | Keith Johannsen | Terry Ray Johannsen

**HONORARY CASKET BEARERS**

Ryan Reyelts | Amber Johannsen  
Andrew Johannsen | Rachel Johannsen

**INTERMENT**

Wilmot City Cemetery  
Wilmot, South Dakota

**APPRECIATION**

Marlene's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the interment, please join the family for a time of fellowship and a light luncheon in the church dining hall.

*Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota*

GOD looked around the garden,  
And found an empty space.

He looked down upon the earth,  
And saw your tired face. He put

*His arms around you*

And lifted you to rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful

For He only takes the **BEST.**

He knew that you were weary,  
and He knew that you were in pain.

He knew that you would never  
be well on earth again.

He saw the roads were getting rough,  
and the hills were hard to climb.

So He closed your weary eyelids,  
and whispered

*Peace be Shine.*

Please use this QR code to access Marlene's  
online guestbook & tribute video.



**M**arlene C. Cardwell was born on June 13, 1938, in Wilmot, SD. She was the youngest child of ten born to Cecil Frank and Eva M. (Wunschel) Cardwell. Marlene grew up in Wilmot and attended school there. She was united in marriage with Terry Johannsen on August 13, 1955, in Wilmot. They were blessed with six children: Bruce, Jeffrey, Julie, Randy, Terry Ray, and Keith.

After her children were grown, Marlene worked at the Wilmot Locker for 11 years. Later, she worked as a cook for Wilmot School for 17 years. She returned to work at the Wilmot Locker, working with Sue Pew and doing catering. She had a heart for helping others and provided transportation for friends to doctor appointments. She helped elderly friends with medications and pill counting or whatever their needs may be.

Marlene was a faithful member of Wilmot Lutheran Church. She enjoyed quilt making at the church as well as in her home. She loved to go fishing with Terry and enjoyed spending time at Big Stone Lake in her retirement. Her family will continue to claim that Marlene's potato salad was the absolute best! She had a tender heart for kitties and enjoyed bird watching and feeding. Most importantly, Marlene cherished her husband, children, and grandchildren.



Left to cherish her memory are her husband, Terry Johannsen of Wilmot, SD; four children: Bruce (Becky) Johannsen of Milbank, SD; Julie (Rick) Reyelts of St. Francis, KS; Terry Ray (Darcy) Johannsen of Milbank, SD; and Keith (Jodie) Johannsen of Huron, SD; four grandchildren: Amber Johannsen, Ryan Reyelts, Andrew Johannsen, and Rachel Johannsen; three sisters: Bev Pedersen of Wilmot, SD; Arlis Christensen of Wilmot, SD; and Mildred Sommers of Minneapolis, MN.

Marlene was preceded in death by her parents: Cecil and Eva Cardwell; two sons: Jeffrey and Randy; four brothers: Don, Darold, Richard, and Dwane; and two brothers-in-law: Chuck Pedersen and Jerry Christensen.



*Memories  
are stitched  
with love.*