

A very special thank you to Sandy Maxwell for walking this Parkinson's journey with me and Randy. From cleaning the house, doing laundry, baking, help with camping and doing anything that I needed help with.

*Our talks and friendship is unmeasurable,
Till we meet again, I love you. -Sara*



The family would like to thank everyone who visited Sara at Parkview in Ellsworth.

A big thank you to Stacey Roemen for all the time she spent with Sara visiting and working on puzzles together.



In Loving Memory of
Sara Van Nieuwenhuizen
October 16, 1957 - April 4, 2026

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Funeral Service

Thursday, April 9, 2026 - 10:30 AM
Christian Reformed Church - Luverne, Minnesota

Officiating - Rev. Joseph Steenholdt

Scripture

Ephesians 2:8-9 II Corinthians 12:9

Organist - Phyllis Vos

Congregational Hymns

"Amazing Grace" - Hymn #380
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" - Hymn #314

Honorary Casket Bearers - *The GPO Band*

Ben Dee Geoff Gunderson Steve Grimes
Dick Bartling Evan Jones Craig Olson
Brian Detmers Mike Dresch Mickey Jensen

Casket Bearers

Jon Kozlowski Greg Roemen
Gene Van't Hof Wayne Kruger
Lloyd Van't Hof Wrede Vogel

Interment

Maplewood Cemetery - Luverne, Minnesota

*Following the committal service, friends are invited to join the family
for food and sharing in the church fellowship hall.*

Scan the QR code to view Sara's LifeTribute video.



Arrangements under the care of
HARTQUIST FUNERAL HOME

Sara Jane Van Nieuwenhuizen was born on October 16, 1957 in Luverne, Minnesota to Russell and Johanna (Beyer) McClure. She was baptized at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne and graduated from Luverne High School in 1976. On June 18, 1976 she was united in marriage to Randy Lee Van Nieuwenhuizen in Luverne. The couple moved to Bozeman, Montana in May 1983. In 1991, they returned to Luverne and Sara worked at Minnwest Bank and later at Kozlowski Insurance and worked there until she retired in December 2023. Sara was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2020. On Saturday, April 4, 2026, Sara died at Parkview Manor Nursing Home in Ellsworth, Minnesota at the age of 68 years, 5 months and 19 days.

Sara was a member of the Christian Reformed Church in Luverne. She enjoyed playing bingo, listening to the band GPO, and going to the races in Rock Rapids, Iowa, Hartford, South Dakota and Brainerd, Minnesota. Camping was something her and Randy loved to do as well and enjoyed spending time with their camping friends.

Sara is survived by her husband, Randy; nephews, Jessie Freeborn, and Shane (Blossom) Freeborn of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; great niece and nephew, Canyon and Sylvie; and sibling, Cleon (Sue) McClure; and many other family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Russell and Johanna McClure; sisters, Laura Hauff, and Ruth McClure; father and mother-in-law, Don and Lorraine Van Nieuwenhuizen; and sister-in-law, Darla Van Nieuwenhuizen.