



We Said a Prayer for You, Mother  
to thank the Lord above  
for blessing us with a lifetime  
of your tenderhearted love.

We thanked God for the caring  
you've shown us through the years,  
for the closeness we've enjoyed  
in times of laughter and of tears.

And so, we thank you from our hearts  
for all you've done for us,  
and we bless the Lord for giving us  
the best mother there ever was!

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

## *Betty Lou Folk*

WHO WAS BORN

February 1, 1939  
Milbank, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

May 17, 2025  
Milbank, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Thursday, May 22, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.  
St. Lawrence Catholic Church  
Milbank, South Dakota

CELEBRANT

Father John Helmueller

MUSICIANS

Sandy Tucholke, Organist  
St. Lawrence Funeral Choir

CASKET BEARERS

Christopher Folk | Jacob Folk | Zachary Aker  
Peter Reynen | Daniel Thyne | Liam Johnson

HONORARY BEARERS

Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren

INTERMENT

St. Lawrence Catholic Cemetery  
Milbank, South Dakota

Betty's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.  
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.

Following the graveside service, please join the family  
in the church dining room for a time of food and fellowship.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Mundwiler Funeral Home  
Milbank, South Dakota

**B**etty Lou (Reynen) Folk was born on February 1, 1939, in Milbank, SD. She was the daughter of Arthur and Gladys (Darling) Reynen. Betty grew up in Milbank and graduated from Milbank High School with the Class of 1958. She met Leo Folk at the DeFea Movie Theater in Milbank. Betty tossed popcorn at him, and they began dating. They were united in marriage on June 28, 1958, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Milbank. They settled in Milbank and have lived their entire married lives there. They were blessed with two children: Lisa and Neil.

Betty was a loving caregiver. She raised her children and provided babysitting for others. When her children became of school age, she worked at St. Bernard's Hospital in Milbank. She worked in housekeeping and also was a nurse's aide for about ten years, while continuing to babysit when she could.

When Betty wasn't working, she enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She loved to read. She and Leo enjoyed gardening, and Betty proudly canned and preserved their harvest. She loved animals and enjoyed her pet birds and dogs.

Betty was baptized into the Catholic faith following her marriage. She was a faithful member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church.

Left to cherish her memory are her two children: Lisa (Dale) Aker of Milbank, SD; and Neil (Beth) Folk of Milbank, SD; three grandsons: Christopher (Stephanie) Folk of Big Stone City, SD; Jacob (Brittany) Folk of Milbank, SD; and Zachary Aker of Watertown, SD; one granddaughter, Alyssa Aker of Huron, SD; four great-grandchildren: Shayla, Colsen, Mikaela, and Liam; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law: Evelyn Reynen of Milbank, SD; Larry Bohn of Twin Brooks, SD; Mary Whiting of Milbank, SD; Rose Lewno of St. Helens, OR; Teresa Hyatt of Milbank, SD; Eugene (DeAnna) Folk of Corona, SD; Barbara Graham of Colorado; Donald (Shirley) Folk of Corona, SD; and Angela (Rusty) Davis of Nevada; and many nieces and nephews, including special nieces: Tami Rise, Diana Thyne, and Marilyn Thyne.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents: Arthur and Gladys Reynen; her husband, Leo, in 2022; and her siblings: Donald Reynen, Donna Thyne, Joyce Folk, Barbara Bohn, and Marlin Reynen.

Please use this QR code to access  
Betty's online guestbook and tribute  
video.



*A mother holds her children's  
hands for a while....*



*their hearts forever.*