

# The twenty-third Psalm

The LORD is  
my shepherd; I  
shall not want.

He maketh me  
to lie down in  
green pastures:  
he leadeth me  
beside the still  
waters.

He restoreth  
my soul: he  
leadeth me in the  
paths of right-  
eousness for his  
name's sake.

Yea, though I  
walk through  
the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou  
art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine  
enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth  
over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days  
of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.



**Beverly Ann Sumption**  
August 8, 1928 – August 29, 2025

**Services at**  
Indherred Lutheran Church, Starbuck, Minnesota  
September 20, 2025  
11:00 a.m.

**Clergy**  
Pastor Matthew Anderson

**Organist**  
Amy Van Zee

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**Prelude**

**Invocation**

**Processional Hymn:**  
Lead On, O King Eternal... page 495

**Welcome**

**Special Music**  
Leah Knutson Anderson, Granddaughter

**Reflections**  
Faith Sumption Anderson, daughter  
**Hymn:** This is my Father's World....page 554

**Scripture**  
Mark Sumption, Son  
Aaron Sumption, Grandson

**Homily**  
**Special Music**  
Laila Anderson, Great-granddaughter

**Prayers**  
**The Lord's Prayer**  
**Commendation & Benediction**  
**Hymn:** Children of the Heavenly Father...page 474

**Recessional:** AMEN

Inurnment to follow the service with Pastor Anderson officiating.  
Lunch will be served in the church parlors after the inurnment.

Beverly Ann Swanson was born in Minneota, Minnesota on August 8, 1928, to John and Hilda (Hansen) Swanson. She graduated from Minneota High School and married her high school sweetheart, James Sumption, in 1946. The couple moved to Sioux Falls, South Dakota while Jim attended Augustana College. After college, they moved to St. Paul where Jim studied at Luther Seminary. It was there that the Sumption family grew to include four children, David, Linda, Faith and Mark. Jim took his first pastoral call at a two-point parish in Kenneth, a small town in southern Minnesota.

The Sumption family moved several times when Pastor Jim accepted calls to Crookston, New Ulm, Starbuck, Grove City and Boyd before retiring from the ministry in 1978. The family was blessed with twins, Judy and Janis, in Crookston in 1956 and Leah Marie was born in New Ulm in 1961. Beverly often commented that moving meant leaving friends in one community but said that there were always new friends and new joys ahead. She appreciated the family's network of friends across Minnesota and was grateful that their kids had opportunities to enjoy reunions with their old pals.

As their nest emptied, Beverly fulfilled her dream of becoming a nurse. She took classes at Wilmar Technical School and graduated in 1974 as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN). She worked at various hospitals in several communities, including the Wilmar State Hospital and the Starbuck Hospital. During that career, she baptized premature babies and held the hands of the sick and dying. Her passion for others was evident in her gentle manner and sincere concern.

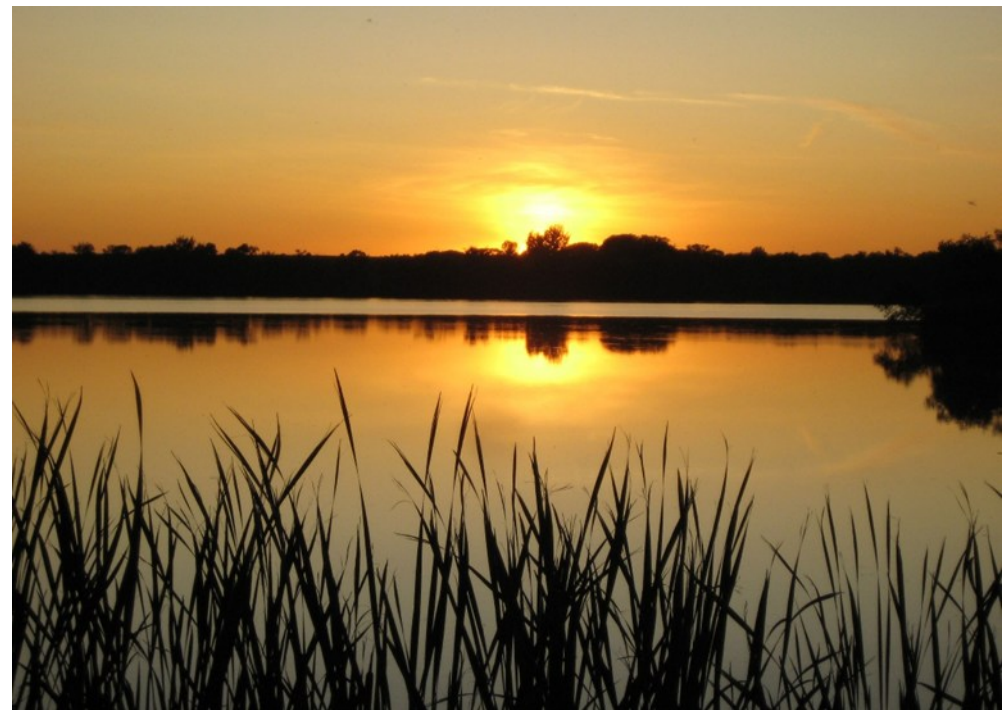
Beverly was an avid knitter and made sweaters, afghans, hats and mittens, the majority of which she gave to relatives and friends. She once commented that her special design stitches were just a touch of love. Those more serene activities were complemented by Beverly's love of music, film, and dance. She especially enjoyed recordings of American Musical Theater classics. In her retirement days, she often shared favorite movies with family members to end a day of outdoor gardening and country walks near their beloved 'Golden Pond.' Beverly had a strong faith and looked forward to new and better days, even when hard times came. She found real joy in life and knew that there would always be room for more.

Beverly died Friday, August 29, 2025 at Minnewaska Lutheran Home in Starbuck. She was 97 years old.

Beverly was preceded in death by her parents and four siblings, her husband and three-year-old daughter, Leah Marie. She is survived by two sons: David (Angelina) Sumption of Playa Del Rey, California and Mark (Sally) Sumption of Tomahawk, Wisconsin; four daughters: Linda Sumption of Portales, New Mexico; Faith (Paul) Anderson, Starbuck; Judy Sumption and Janis Sumption, both of Alexandria. Ten grandchildren survive along with over 30 great-grandchildren.



Please use this QR Code to access  
Beverly's online guestbook and tribute video.



Sunset at Strandness Lake where Beverly and Jim spent many happy days.

Celebration of Life

Beverly Ann Sumption

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Psalms 31:15a

*My times are in thy hand...*