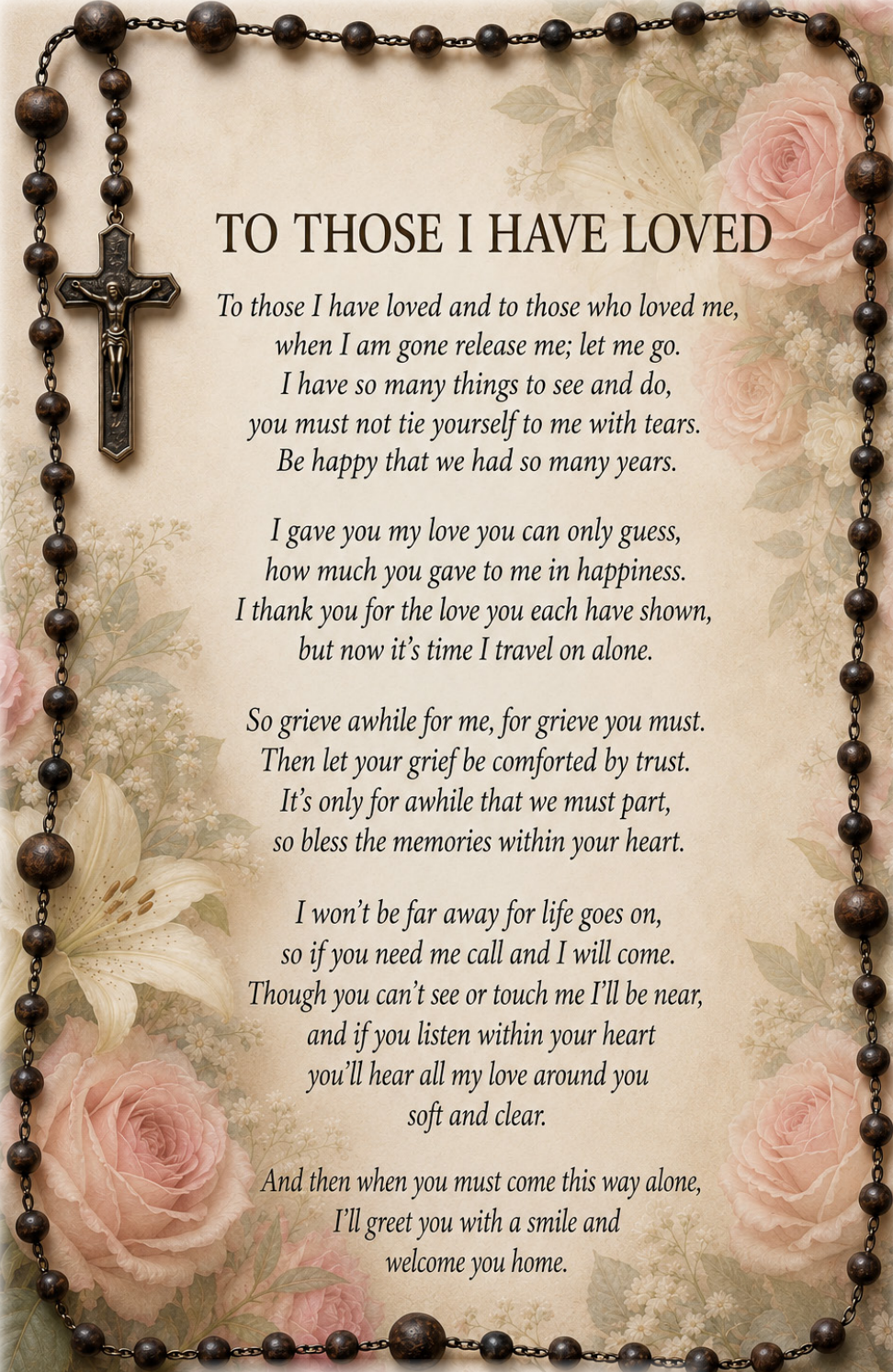




TO THOSE I HAVE LOVED

*To those I have loved and to those who loved me,
when I am gone release me; let me go.
I have so many things to see and do,
you must not 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 each have shown,
but now it's time I travel on alone.*

*So grieve awhile for me, for grieve you must.
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for awhile 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 within your heart
you'll hear all 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 you home.*

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In Loving Memory of
Catherine "Katie" Eberle

June 22, 1923 - July 28, 2026

Catherine “Katie” Eberle, 103, of WaKeeney, KS, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at Trego County-Lemke Memorial Hospital Long Term Care, surrounded by the love and memories of a life well lived. She was born on June 22, 1923, in Trego County, KS, to John and Thresia (Augustine) Weber, Sr.

On September 23, 1941, she married Alfred “Fritz” Eberle at St. Mary Catholic Church in Ellis, KS. Together they shared nearly 31 years of marriage before Fritz preceded her in death on July 14, 1972.

Katie found great joy in cooking and baking for those she loved, expressing her care through every meal and homemade treat. Her kitchen was often the heart of the home, where family gathered, stories were shared, and love was served in abundance. She made countless wedding and birthday cakes for family and friends, generously sharing her talents and helping create treasured memories that will live on for generations.

She was deeply committed to serving her community. For many years, Katie volunteered with the Walk-A-Thon for Health Trego/Gove County and was a steadfast supporter of the rural fire department, always willing to lend a helping hand wherever she was needed. Her generous spirit and willingness to serve touched countless lives.

Katie was a faithful and active member of Christ the King Catholic Church, where she belonged to the Ladies Auxiliary and served on the church decorating committee. She devoted many hours to decorating the church for holidays, celebrations, and other special occasions, taking great pride in helping create a welcoming and beautiful place of worship for her parish family.

Her Catholic faith was the cornerstone of her life and guided her every day. She never went to bed without her musical rosary playing, and it was not uncommon to find her quietly seated during the day with rosary beads in hand, offering prayers for her family, friends, and all those in need. Sunday mornings held a special place in her heart, as she treasured gathering with her family for coffee after Mass, sharing stories, laughter, and the simple blessing of being together.

Katie will be remembered for her generous heart, unwavering faith, servant’s spirit, and the unconditional love she so freely shared with everyone fortunate enough to know her.

Katie leaves behind a loving family who will forever cherish her memory, including her sons, LeRoy (Jacky) Eberle of WaKeeney, KS, Ken (Sherry) Eberle of Ellis, KS, Ron (Ellen) Eberle of Grainfield, KS, Mel (Gail) Eberle of Oakley, KS, Dennis (Marilyn) Eberle of WaKeeney, KS, Larry Eberle of WaKeeney, KS, and Terry (Kathy) Eberle of Cheyenne, WY; her daughters, Twila Bliss and her companion, Frank Kaiser, of WaKeeney, KS, Marilyn (Willie) Wildeman of WaKeeney, KS, Gloria Eberle and her companion, Ron Valigura, of Topeka, KS, Debbie (Mervyn) Sasso of Aurora, CO, and Bonnie (Bill) Windholz of WaKeeney, KS; her son-in-law, Floyd Weigel of WaKeeney, KS; 39 grandchildren; 97 great-grandchildren; 40 great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and dear friends whose lives were touched by her kindness and enduring presence.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Thresia Weber, Sr.; her husband, Alfred “Fritz” Eberle; her daughters, Sylvia (Victor) Kinderknecht and Linda Weigel; and her son-in-law, Glen Bliss.

CATHERINE “KATIE” EBERLE

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Mass of Christian Burial

St. Mary Catholic Church

Ellis, Kansas

Saturday, August 1, 2026 at 10:00 A.M.

Concelebrants

Father Dana Clark

Father Don Pfannenstiel

Deacon Kyle Pfeifer

Cantor

Leanna Keller

Music Selections

*“Be Not Afraid” “Here I Am Lord”
“Only A Shadow” “Song of Farewell”
“How Great Thou Art”*

Pall Bearers

Ryan Windholz Matthew Eberle

Wayne Eberle Kyle Eberle

Kenneth Rumback Scott Eberle

Joshua Eberle

Honorary Bearers

LeRoy Eberle Ken Eberle

Ron Eberle Mel Eberle

Dennis Eberle Larry Eberle

Terry Eberle

Interment

St. Mary’s Cemetery

Ellis, KS

Memorials To

Walk-A-Thon For Health Trego/Gove County

Trego County-Lemke Memorial Hospital LTC

Mass Intentions