



*Right now I'm in a different place,
And though we seem apart,
I'm closer than I ever was....
I'm there inside your heart.*

*I'm with you when you greet each day,
And while the sun shines bright,
I'm there to share the sunsets, too...
I'm with you every night.*

*I'm with you when the times are good
To share a laugh or two,
And if a tear should start to fall...
I'm always there for you.*

*And when that day arrives
That we no longer are apart,
I'll smile and hold you close to me...
Forever in my heart.*



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Marlys “Molly” Sweeter

WHO WAS BORN
May 14, 1936
Milbank, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME
October 23, 2023
Milbank, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL
Monday, October 30, 2023 - 10:30 a.m.
St. Lawrence Catholic Church
Milbank, South Dakota

CELEBRANT
Father Gary DeRouchey

MUSICIANS
Sandy Tucholke, Organist
Sara Dornbusch, Vocalist
St. Lawrence Funeral Choir

CASKET BEARERS
Nolan Fischer | Matt Wellnitz | Fred Koch
Lee Dornbusch | Eddie Julius | Cole Kelley

HONORARY BEARERS
Molly's Grandchildren

INTERMENT
St. Lawrence Catholic Cemetery
Milbank, South Dakota

APPRECIATION
Molly'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 lunch and fellowship in the church dining room.

ARRANGEMENTS BY
Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota

Marlys “Molly” Lorraine Sweeter was born on May 14, 1936, in Milbank, SD. She was the daughter of Agnes (Wellnitz) and Raymond Schmitt. Molly grew up in the Milbank area, attending St. Lawrence Catholic Elementary School and Milbank High School until her sophomore year. She later completed her GED. Molly was a lifelong resident of Milbank except for the three years she resided in LaBolt, SD.

Molly was united in marriage with Wilfred “Red” Lundborg and to this union had four children: Jeffrey, Gail, Penny, and Thomas. She was united in marriage in 1961 with Fran A. Kockx and were blessed with a daughter, Julie, and two stepsons: Duane and James. Together, they raised their children. Fran passed away in 1983.

On September 23, 1988, she was united in marriage with Fred Sweeter. Molly gained a stepdaughter, Mary. She and Fred enjoyed their lake home, spending time gardening and fishing from their dock. Their strong faith was present every Saturday night at the 5:00 p.m. Mass, sitting in the 2nd row. Fred passed away in 2017.

Molly had the service driven heart of a volunteer. She spent many years volunteering for Meals on Wheels, St. William’s Care Center, and St. Lawrence School. She served on the Grant County Election Board for over 50 years. She was a member of the Catholic Daughters and Pink Ladies. Molly was a dedicated mother and wife. Outside of the home, she drove a school bus and worked at the Grant County Auditor’s Office and Grant County Detention Center. She also worked at Great Plains Cable and Columbus Heights.

In her free time, Molly enjoyed bowling in her younger years, stitching Christmas stockings, crocheting potholders, rags, and towels, and feeding the neighborhood squirrels and birds. She could make wonderful desserts including cookies, pies, Kringle, and rice pudding. She loved playing cards with friends and family. Her grandson, Drake, noted that Grandma Molly always had a puzzle on her table to work on together. Passing down the family traditions of playing cards and baking special treats was important to her. She was also a Minnesota Twins and Timberwolves fan.

Molly’s Catholic faith was essential to her. She was a lifelong member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church and kept an ongoing prayer list. She always tried to make everyone feel special and loved.

Molly is survived by her daughters: Gail Kelley of Gering, NE; Penny (Ron) Mead of Milbank, SD; and Julie Bierschbach of Minot, ND; step-daughter, Mary Sweeter of Sioux Falls, SD; bonus daughter, Jan Skorpik of Sioux Falls, SD; daughter-in-law, Paula Lundborg of Webster, SD; 15 grandchildren: Sheila Lange, Sharon Lundborg, Samantha Toney, Cara Stout, Cole Kelley, Fred Koch, Katie Schellberg, Wendy Nehring, Heidi Wellnitz, Heather Fischer, Molly Mantz, Abby Bierschbach, Bridget Bury, Brandy Paszek, and Lee Dornbusch; 34 great-grandchildren; one great-great granddaughter; and several step-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Raymond and Agnes Schmitt; husband, Wilfred “Red” Lundborg; husband, Francis Kockx; husband, Fred Sweeter; sons: Jeff Lundborg and Thomas Lundborg; stepsons: Duane and James Kockx; brother, Jerome Schmitt; sister, Darlene “Dolly” Hoeke; and son-in-law, Greg Bierschbach.

