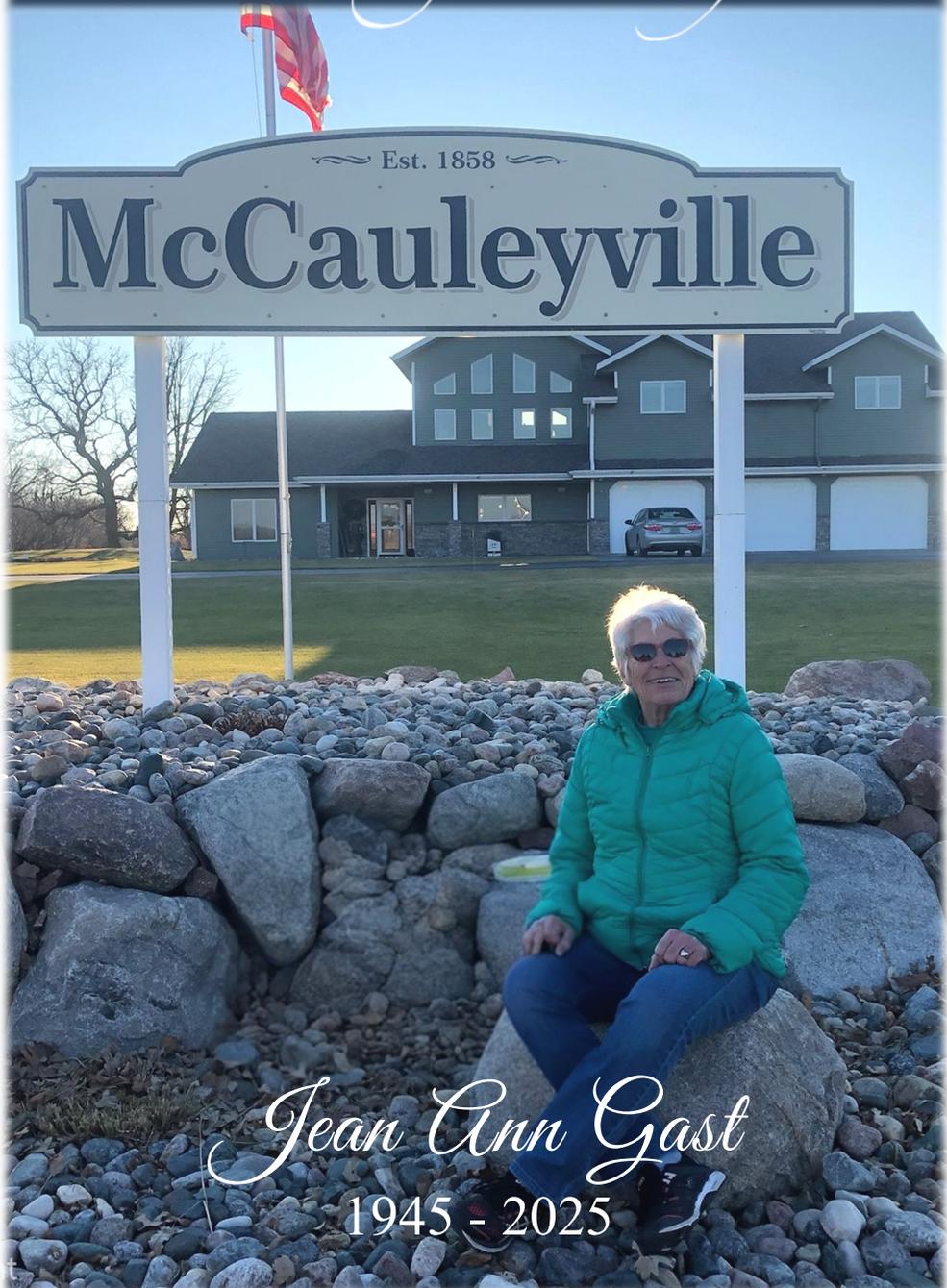


Celebrating THE *Life* OF



Jean Ann Gast
1945 - 2025

Fill not your hearts with pain and sorrow,
But remember me in every tomorrow.

Remember the joy, the laughter, the smiles,

I've only gone to rest a while.

Although my leaving causes pain and grief,
My going has eased my hurt and given me relief.

So dry your eyes and *remember me,*

Not as I am, but as I used to be.

Because I will remember you all

and look on with a smile.

Understand in your hearts,

I've only gone to rest a little while.

As long as I have the love of each of you,

I can live my life in the hearts of all of you.

Jean Ann Gast was born on April 15, 1945, to Ralph & Viola Johnson in Breckenridge, MN. Jean attended Breckenridge High School, graduating with the class of 1963. On September 10, 1966, Jean married the love of her life, Warren Gast. Together, they created a beautiful life filled with love, laughter, and cherished memories. Warren's passing in December 2021 left a profound impact, but the love they shared remained a guiding light for Jean.

A devoted stay-at-home-mom, Jean spent her days nurturing her family and was a beloved fixture in her community. For an impressive 42 years, she brought her warmth and friendliness to the Fort Saloon, where her infectious smile and kind spirit left a lasting impact on all who had the pleasure of knowing her. Jean was known as "Grammy" to many, embodying the essence of generosity and love for everyone who crossed her path.

Jean's culinary talents were legendary among her friends and family. She found pure joy in making apple pies with the "Crazy Kent Pie Ladies" and was famous for her delicious doughnuts, which were a staple at family gatherings and community events. Her spirit shone in her love for cooking and baking, and her goodies were shared with a smile that lit up the room. She also enjoyed the simple pleasure of working outside. Her legacy of love, friendship, and an unwavering spirit continues to inspire all who were fortunate enough to know her.

Jean is survived by her daughters: Karen (Brad) Lehmann and Jolisa (Adam) Jenstead; grandchildren: Bailey (Crystal), Abby (Evan), Kolden, Jared (Katie), Mason, and Carter; great-grandchildren: Wyatt, Emmitt, Waylon, Ellie, and Kam, and the countless family members and friends who were touched by her kindness.

She was preceded in death by her husband Warren, and her parents Ralph & Viola Johnson; siblings: Robert Johnson and Ione Meyer, and niece Diane Rosenau.

The family wishes to express their gratitude for your kind expressions of sympathy and for honoring Jean with your presence at the service.

Jean Ann Gast



Born

April 15, 1945 | Breckenridge, Minnesota

Passed Away

December 27, 2025 | Kent, Minnesota

Age

80 Years | 8 Months | 12 Days

Mass of Christian Burial

10:30 AM | Saturday, January 3, 2026
St. Thomas Catholic Church | Kent, Minnesota

Participants

Fr. Leo Moenkedick | Officiant
Mary Ihland | Organist
Amber Bogenreif | Soloist
Mason and Carter Jenstead | Gift Bearers

Hymns

"Be Not Afraid" | "Here I Am Lord"
"Hail Mary Gentle Woman" | "On Eagles Winds" | "Song of Farewell"
"Let There be Peace on Earth" | "Soon and Very Soon"

Honorary Pallbearers

Jean's Grandchildren and Great-grandchildren
and all who called her friend

Interment

St. Thomas Catholic Cemetery | Kent, Minnesota