

Carol Lou Johnson was born on February 15, 1938, beside the old pot belly stove at the home of her maternal grandparents, Ida and Alfred Hagelbeck near Manannah, Minnesota. Her parents were Carl and Virginia (Lipsit) Rostberg. She spent most of her first six years of life in Manannah, the place where her heart has always remained. She also lived in Litchfield, Minneapolis, Kerkhoven, St. James, Lester and Doon, Iowa, Pipestone, Anchorage, Alaska, Harris, Minnesota and finally Willmar. She graduated from Pipestone High School and attended classes at Willmar Community College and St. Paul Technical Institute. Carol had many jobs in this area but her most favorite was working at KWLM Radio Station and Bethesda Nursing Homes. She was also engaged in assisting her husband with his auctions and antique shops.

Aside from being an avid Minnesota Twins fan, Carol enjoyed all types of woodworking, carpentry and remodeling old houses, quilting and writing. She has written two books for her grandchildren and has articles published in various magazines. Carol so enjoyed keeping in contact with people she had met through her lifetime and always enjoyed making new friends and acquaintances. One of her greater joys was her involvement and service during her years as a Salvation Army Soldier here in Willmar.

She is survived by her wonderful husband, Col. Tim Johnson of Willmar; three very precious sons, Jeffrey (and Cheryl) Hobson of Crown Point, IN., Dr. Kim (and Buelah) Hobson of Garland, TX., and Chris (and Charlotte) Johnson of Minneapolis; three wonderful grandchildren, Hannah, Kharli and Dartagnan; and one great foster grandson, Cameron (and Tasha) Sanderson of Clontarf. Also surviving is one brother, Terry Lipsit of Willmar; four sisters, Becky Moyer (and Jim Beverson) of Hutchinson, Jennifer Werkman of Willmar, Madrene (and Scott) Grund of Hatton, ND., and Hope Rostberg of Minneapolis; and one sister-in-law, Diane Rostberg of Henderson, besides many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Virginia Lipsit; father, Carl Rostberg; maternal grandmother, Ruby Danley; adoptive maternal grandparents, Alfred and Ida Hagelbeck; paternal grandparents, Helmer and Alma Rostberg; foster parents, Dr. Wayne and Mary Jane Brownell; foster daughter, Kim Marie Thayer Sanderson; and brother, Alvin Rostberg.

Celebrating the Life of



Carol Lou Johnson

1938 - 2025

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 righteousness 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 forever.*

*Peterson Brothers Funeral Home
Celebrating A Life Remembered*

In Loving Memory Of

Carol Lou Johnson

February 15, 1938

Manannah, Minnesota

February 17, 2025

St. Cloud, Minnesota

Celebration of Life Service

Saturday, February 22, 2025 - 1:00 p.m.

Church of the Nazarene

Officiating

Pastor Tony Freeburg

Music

Organist: Evelyn Freeburg

"How Great Thou Art"

"Jesus Love Me"

"Amazing Grace"

Casketbearers

Tim Johnson Jim Beverson Chris Johnson

Art Rohrbeck Enrique Vasquez

Interment

Monday, February 24, 2025 - 2:30 p.m.

Manannah Cemetery

Manannah, Minnesota