

God saw her getting tired,
A cure not meant to be,
So He put His arms
AROUND HER, AND WHISPERED. . .

“Come With Me.”



Thank You

On behalf of Dianne’s family, thank you for your love and support throughout her life. We appreciate your prayers and your time as her life is honored. Please join us for a time of food and fellowship following the funeral service.

In Loving Memory of



Dianne Lynn Koltjes

December 10, 1944 - March 28, 2026



Dianne was born on December 10, 1944, in Fergus Falls, MN, to Edmund and Dorothy (Sheehy) Sand. She attended grade school in Wendell, MN, and graduated from Elbow Lake High School in 1962.

Dianne married the love of her life, Vernon (Toby) Koltes, on June 16th, 1962. They lived 4 miles west of Wendell, MN, for 52 years, where they raised their

children, Todd, born in 1963, and Sheri, born in 1968. Dianne volunteered at Lake Region Hospital Auxiliary. When they retired, she and Toby made sure they made it to Granite Falls for every sporting event her grandsons, Austin and Logan, played, making multiple trips a week while her grandsons were growing up. Dianne baked awesome chocolate chip cookies and her specialty, Special K bars with peanut butter, loved by all her nieces and nephews. They moved to Park Gardens in September of 2024, and Dianne moved to the memory care in June of 2025. She loved her caregivers there and always made a point to tell them how kind they were and that she loved them.

She is survived by her husband, Toby Koltes, Fergus Falls, MN; daughter, Sheri (Kurt) Thorstad, Granite Falls, MN; grandsons, Austin (Erika Dilts) Thorstad, Sioux Falls, SD, Logan Thorstad, Granite Falls, MN; and brother, Tom (Carol) Sand, Granite Falls, MN.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Edmund and Dorothy, and beloved son, Todd.

Dianne Lynn Koltes



Mass of Christian Burial

3:00 PM | Wednesday, April 1, 2026
St. Gall's Catholic Church | Tintah, Minnesota

Con-Celebrants

Fr. Leo Moenkedick | Fr. Al Weinski

Organist

Pat Keaveny

Soloist

Peggy Lehman Corey

Reader

Jason Koltes

1st Reading: Proverbs 31: 1-31

2nd Reading: Romans 6:3-9

Gospel Reading: 14-1-6

Congregational Hymns

“Here I Am Lord” | “On Eagles Wings” | “In The Garden”
“Abba Father” | “Song of Farewell” | “How Great Thou Art”

Pallbearers

Austin Thorstad | Logan Thorstad | Tim Sand
Tyler Sand | Wyatt Sand | Nathan Fromm

Interment

St. Gall's Catholic Cemetery | Tintah, Minnesota