

**B**everly Ann Johnson was born on July 29, 1932, to Walter and Marie (Dethlefs) Sheffield at home in Beadle County, South Dakota. She attended country school and graduated from Wessington Springs High School. She attended Wessington Springs Junior College, and then taught school in rural Beadle County.

Beverly married Gerald Johnson in Wessington Springs on November 22, 1950. They lived in Baltic, South Dakota until 1958, when they moved to a farm in Beadle County. They moved back to Baltic in 1965 where they lived the rest of their 52 years of marriage. Gerald passed away on November 6, 2002.

Beverly worked part time at the Baltic Farmers Elevator and Baltic Beacon. She began working at the Sioux Falls Argus Leader in 1968, and worked in the Classified and Accounting departments until retiring in 1995. She enjoyed traveling, fishing, crocheting, reading, golf, watching basketball and other sports, and spending time with family.

Beverly moved into Dow Rummel Village, Sioux Falls in 2013, where she enjoyed meeting and talking with the residents and staff and participating in the activities.

Beverly was a member of Baltic Lutheran Church for many years, and was currently a member of Messiah New Hope Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls.

Beverly passed away on Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at Dow Rummel Village in Sioux Falls.

Grateful for having shared her life are son Dennis (Elaine) Johnson, Sioux Falls; daughter Charlene Johnson, Sioux Falls; grandson Dustin (Jaya Aswani) Johnson, grandson Craig Johnson, great grandchildren Rani and Anil Johnson, and many other extended family members.

Beverly was preceded in death by her husband Gerald; an infant daughter; her parents; siblings Elaine King, Luverne Sheffield, Keith Sheffield, Lorraine Drake, Dean Sheffield and Linda Kowalski; and her brothers- and sisters-in-law.

Beverly's family extends their heartfelt gratitude to the staff of Dow Rummel Village and AseraCare Hospice for the compassion and kindness shown throughout her care.

# *In Memory Of* **Beverly Ann Johnson**

July 29, 1932 ✠ August 4, 2026

## **Funeral Service**

11:00 AM

Tuesday, August 11, 2026  
Halladay-Peterson Chapel  
Dow Rummel Village  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

## **Officiating**

Rev. Randall Questad  
Baltic Lutheran Church

## **Music**

Nic Engels, Organist  
"In the Garden"  
"Amazing Grace"  
"How Great Thou Art"

## **Pallbearers**

Dustin Johnson  
Brian Sheffield  
Randy Moe

Craig Johnson  
Steve Moe  
Scott Johnson

## **Interment**

2:30 PM

Tuesday, August 11, 2026  
East Nidaros Lutheran Cemetery  
Baltic, South Dakota

## *Mothers Never Really Die*

*Death beckoned her with outstretched hand  
And whispered softly of "an unknown land"---*

*But she was not afraid to go  
For though the path she did not know,  
She took death's hand without fear,  
For He who safely brought her here  
Had told her He would lead the way  
Into eternity's bright day...  
And so she did not go alone  
Into the "Valley that's unknown"---  
She gently took death by the hand  
And journeyed to "the promised Land"...  
And there, with step so light and gay,  
she polishes the sun by day  
and lights the stars that shine at night  
And keeps the moonbeams silvery bright...  
For Mothers really never die,  
They just keep house up in the sky"...  
And in the heavenly home above  
They wait to "welcome" those they love.*

Helen Steiner Rice

***The family of Beverly Ann Johnson thanks you for  
your presence and support. They invite you for lunch  
and fellowship in the Gathering Hall after the service.***



## *A Celebration of Life*



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