



*We Said a Prayer for You, Mother
to thank the Lord above
for blessing us with a lifetime
of your tenderhearted love.*

*We thanked God for the caring
you've shown us through the years,
for the closeness we've enjoyed
in times of laughter and of tears.*

*And so, we thank you from our hearts
for all you've done for us,
and we bless the Lord for giving us
the best mother there ever was!*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Eileen Janice Schamber

WHO WAS BORN

April 4, 1941
Ortonville, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

March 12, 2023
Milbank, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 - 11:00 a.m.
Emanuel Lutheran Church
Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT

Reverend Chris Davis

MUSICIANS

Kristy Tostenson, Organist
Laura Berens, Vocalist

CASKET BEARERS

Colton Schamber | Tyler Buttke | Travis Buttke | Mike Nies
Lance Eidem | Dewey Athey | Dale Rethke | Paul Reese

HONORARY BEARERS

Granddaughters:

Jessica Eidem | Tricia Berens | Laura Berens
Tracie Christensen | Emery Schamber | Krista Nies
Karlie Nies | Elaina Schamber | Kynlee Schamber

INTERMENT

Emanuel Lutheran Cemetery
Roberts County, South Dakota

APPRECIATION

Eileen's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply
appreciated. Following the graveside service, please join the family for
food, fellowship, and sharing of memories in the church fellowship hall.

Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota



Eileen Janice Schamber was born on April 4, 1941, in Ortonville, MN. She was the daughter of Stanley and Helen (Hecht) Weeden. Eileen grew up in the Wilmot area and attended school in Wilmot.

Eileen met John Schamber at a Lutheran church camp near Custer, SD, in 1957. They wrote letters back and forth and eventually married on October 19, 1958, at Centennial Lutheran Church in Wilmot.

They moved to Rapid City, SD, and were blessed to start a family with the births of Linda and Charles. They returned to rural Wilmot in 1961, and farmed together for a few years. Their family grew with six more children: Donna, Richard, Neil, David, Brenda, and Kevin.

They moved to Milbank, SD, in 1964 and have since resided. Eileen raised eight children and worked part time as a babysitter. She loved babies! Being a mother was the joy of her life. She also worked a variety of other jobs including at Milbank Insurance Company, Milbank Schools, United Hardware, and most recently at Dewey's Lawn Care. Her love of baking and plants kept her very happy!

Christmas was her "special" holiday. She loved everything about Christmas, including decorating and hosting family and friends every year. She was known for her delicious Christmas punch. She was "famous" for her homemade donuts that were raised and glazed. She loved making them and enjoyed sharing them with her family. She also loved to make homemade buns. In her spare time, Eileen enjoyed putting puzzles together.

Eileen was a faithful member of Emanuel Lutheran Church. She loved serving at church for Bible classes and morning fellowship.

Eileen Schamber is survived by her husband, John of Milbank, SD; three daughters: Linda (Tom) Berens of Corona, SD; Donna (Bradley) Buttkke of Corona, SD; Brenda (Mike) Nies of Milbank, SD; daughter-in-law, Ginger Schamber of Milbank, SD; four sons: Charles Schamber of Milbank, SD; Neil (Tammy) Schamber of Florence, SD; David Schamber of Milbank, SD; and Kevin (Emily) Schamber of Britton, SD; 12 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; one sister, Marilyn (Robert) Rethke of Milbank, SD; and one sister-in-law, Mary Weeden of Milbank, SD. She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Richard; sisters: Joyce Reese and Gladys Paulson; and brother, Glenn Weeden.

