

Borning Cry

I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized
To see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child,
With a faith to suit you well;
In a blaze of light you wandered off
To find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word
I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living Lord,
To whom you now belong.
When you find someone to share your time
And you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme
From dusk till rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life,
Not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night,
Complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in
And you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been
With just one more surprise.

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Linda Kay (Mogen) Roelfsema, age 76, of Pipestone, Minnesota, passed away on October 19, 2025, surrounded by the love of her family at Pipestone County Medical Center in Pipestone, Minnesota. Linda was born September 6, 1949, at St. Olaf Hospital in Austin, Minnesota, the only child of Ardean and Beatrice (Nesbit) Mogen. She was baptized and confirmed in the same church where her father was baptized and her parents married, beginning a lifelong journey rooted in faith and family. Growing up in Austin and later Worthington, Minnesota, Linda graduated from Worthington Senior High. Even as a young student, she displayed the creativity and determination that would define her life. Her kindergarten report card stated "Linda would rather lead than follow," a sentiment that remained true throughout her years.

Linda pursued her passion for education at Worthington State Junior College and later Mankato State College. Her calling was to work with young children, and she dedicated much of her life to nurturing them in preschool and kindergarten, believing deeply in giving every child a "head start."

On September 7, 1969, Linda married Dennis Roelfsema at First Lutheran Church in Worthington, Minnesota beginning a marriage that lasted more than five decades. Together they raised four children and built a home filled with love, laughter, and respect for hard work. Linda loved painting figurines and collecting knick-knacks that held special meaning and memories. Her love of the arts shone through in her children, who enjoy building, creating and performing.

Linda was an avid fan of Minnesota sports teams, and could find a game on the TV, no matter the season. Family vacations often involved early morning departures to trek across the state for a game. Her greatest joy came from being Grandma. She adored her grandchildren and made a point of attending sports and performances, celebrating milestones, and spending time together.

Linda's love, strong will, and steady presence will be deeply missed and forever remembered by her husband Dennis; her children, Leah (Mark) Ference, Todd (Beth) Roelfsema, Mark (Jessica) Roelfsema, and Sarah (Tom) Beck; her grandchildren, and all whose lives she touched.

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Pipestone, Minnesota

Officiating

Pastor Ann Zastrow

Scriptures

Lamentations 3:22-24 Psalm 46:1-7
Mark 10:13-16

Special Music

"The Rose" as recorded by Bette Midler
Performed by Zoe Roelfsema-Hummel
Accompaniment by Taylor Tambornino

Recorded Music

"Borning Cry"

as recorded by Shelbey Picek

(All are welcome to sing along with the lyrics on the back of the folder)

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