

Carlene Renae Thompson was born on September 27, 1941, in Dell Rapids, South Dakota, to Carmen and Arlene (Prestbo) Nesheim. She grew up on the Nesheim farm south of Baltic and graduated from Baltic High School in 1959. She married Lyle Thompson on April 23, 1960, at Baltic Lutheran Church. After their marriage, they lived in Sioux Falls until moving to Lake Benton, Minnesota in 1963. While in Lake Benton, Carlene worked as a teacher's aide until they moved to their home on Lake Shaokatan in the early 1980's. They moved to Pipestone in 2019 to be closer to their grandchildren.

Carlene was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Lake Benton. She loved gardening, tending to her flowers, and taking walks around the lake. Carlene and Lyle loved traveling and were lucky enough to visit Hawaii and Branson several times. But most of all, Carlene loved her grandchildren, and cherished the years when they would all come to the lake for the summer.

Carlene passed away on Saturday, January 31, 2026, at the Good Samaritan Society in Pipestone.

Survivors include her loving husband, Lyle of Pipestone; son, Brian Thompson of Florida; grandchildren: Mandy (Weston) Matthiesen, Taylor (Danielle) Thompson, Dominique Thompson, Daryn Thompson, and Katelyn Thompson; 16 great grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Pat Thompson of Yankton; siblings: Yvonne (Gary) Kocmick, Renner, Joann Moan, Baltic, Dale (Pam) Nesheim, Baltic, and Lori (Randy) Fehl, Glenwood, IA; and many other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, and her sons, Todd and Michael.

In Memory Of **Carlene R. Thompson**

September 27, 1941 † January 31, 2026

Funeral Service

11:00 AM

Friday, February 6, 2026

Baltic Lutheran Church

Baltic, South Dakota

Officiating

Rev. Randall Questad

Pianist

Ellen Aadland

Congregational Hymns

“How Great Thou Art”

“Amazing Grace”

“Old Rugged Cross”

Pallbearers

Larry Kocmick

Paul Fehl

Joe Fehl

Tim Moan

Lonnie Kocmick

Jim Fehl

Eric Nesheim

Jeff Moan

Dan Moan

Honorary Pallbearers

Carlene's Great-Grandchildren

Interment

East Nidaros Lutheran Cemetery

Baltic, South Dakota



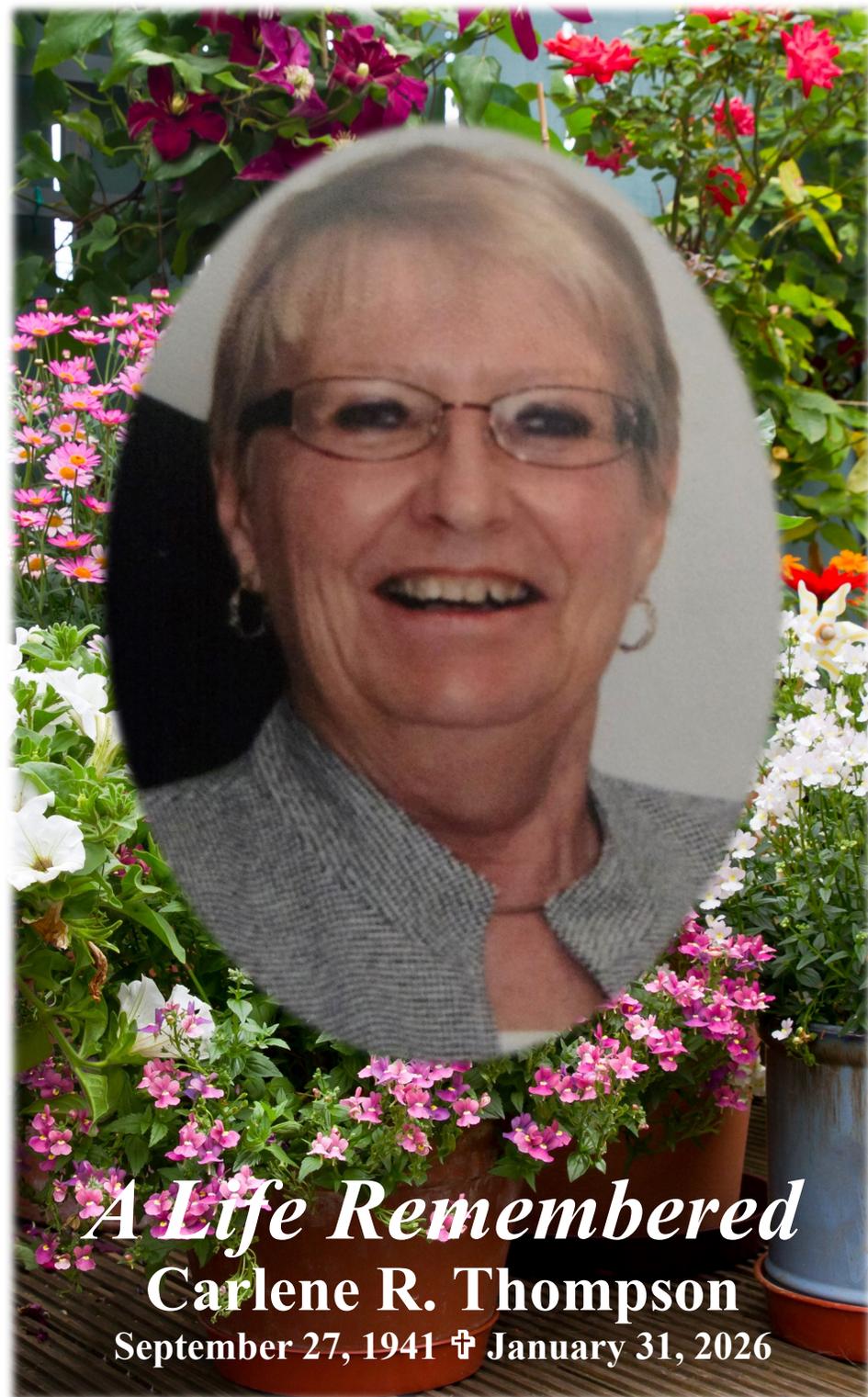
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:

- a time to be born and a time to die,
- a time to plant and a time to uproot,
- a time to kill and a time to heal,
- a time to tear down and a time to build,
- a time to weep and a time to laugh,
- a time to mourn and a time to dance,
- a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
- a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
- a time to search and a time to give up,
- a time to keep and a time to throw away,
- a time to tear and a time to mend,
- a time to be silent and a time to speak,
- a time to love and a time to hate,
- a time for war and a time for peace.



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