

Take My Hand, Precious Lord

Precious Lord, take my hand
Lead me on, let me stand
I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm lorn
Through the storm, through the night
Lead me on to the light
Take my hand, precious Lord
Lead me home

In my way grows drear
Precious Lord, linger near
When my life is almost gone
Hear my cry, hear my call
Hold my hand, lest I fall
Take my hand precious Lord
Lead me home

When the darkness appears
And the night draws near
And the day is past and gone
At the river, I stand
Guide my feet, hold my hand
Take my hand precious Lord
Lead me home

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Song by
Elvis Presley

Celebrating THE *Life* OF *Ovonne D. Selix*



Services:

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Starbuck, Minnesota
Monday - January 27, 2025 - 1:00 p.m.

Officiating:

Don Swenson
S.A.M. Synod Authorized Minister

Organist:

Dee Syverson

Eulogists:

James Selix & Mary Selix

Pallbearers:

Tara Pankratz, Jason Pankratz, Jason Thorp
David Strickler, Todd Johnshoy, Tom Johnshoy

Honorary Pallbearers:

Ovonne's Nieces and Nephews
All Those Who Called Ovonne a Friend

Interment:

Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery
Starbuck, Minnesota

Ovonne Doris Thorp was born in Paynesville, Minnesota on October 8, 1940, the oldest of three children born to Bernhard and Ovila (Anderson) Thorp. She grew up on a farm between Paynesville and Eden Valley, Minnesota. Ovonne attended country school through the 8th grade and then finished her education at Eden Valley High School and was the salutatorian of her graduating class of 1958. After her schooling, she began working at Eden Valley Bank for 13 years. In 1970, Ovonne was introduced to Bert Selix, they began dating, and were married on August 14' 1971, at Paynesville Lutheran Church in Paynesville. Following her marriage, she joined her husband on the farm, southwest of Starbuck, and work at First National Bank in Starbuck for seven years. After 10 years of marriage, Bert and Ovonne adopted their first child, James in the summer of 1981, and in the fall of 1982, they adopted their daughter, Mary.

Ovonne helped her husband on the farm, all the while caring for two young children and her aging parents, who she helped out a lot. She was active in her local church, Immanuel Lutheran, serving as treasurer for 13 years, teaching Sunday School, the Homemaker's Club, quilting and other various jobs within the ministry. Ovonne had many interests and hobbies throughout her life. She loved to read and learn. Ovonne enjoyed the outdoors – picnicking, fishing, camping, gardening, road tripping and taking photos. Music, signing, bowling, playing cards, and games were also interests she enjoyed. Ovonne had a great love for animals and conversations with family, friends, and neighbors over a cup of coffee and cookies and desserts, that were all baked with love.

While living her journey with dementia, she was still a great example of being a loving, caring, faithful, and loyal mother, sister, aunt, and friend to all. She spent her final years living on her farm with her children and her beloved kitty, Patches, where she enjoyed 'Peace in the Valley.'

Ovonne passed away peacefully with her two children by her side holding her hands on Friday, January 17, 2025, at the St. Cloud Hospital in St. Cloud, Minnesota; she was 84 years old.

Ovonne is survived by her children: James Selix of Bloomington and Mary Selix of Starbuck; brother, Paul (Kathy) Thorp of Vadnais Heights; sister, Sandy (Stan) Wieber of Olney, IL; bonus sister (Cousin) Lorraine (Richard) Raveling of Paynesville; and many nieces, nephews, and extended family. She is preceded in death by her husband, Bert; parents; brothers and sisters-in-law; and many aunts, uncles and dear friends.

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In Loving Memory
Ovonne Doris Selix
October 8, 1940 - January 17, 2025