

**J**udy Mae Walters was born on July 6, 1941, in Dell Rapids, and was raised by her parents, Joel and Celeste Lucille (Opoien) Skatvold. Her family moved around to several places during her childhood, but she spent most of her childhood in the Dell Rapids and Baltic areas. On April 15, 1959, she married Leslie Walters at the Lutheran Church of Dell Rapids. Judy worked as a nurse's aide at the Odd Fellows Home in Dell Rapids, and then worked in manufacturing for Litton Industries and Hutchison Technologies. Les passed away on August 30, 2015.



Judy was a member of the Lutheran Church of Dell Rapids, where she was active in the quilting group, and also attended church at Heritage Lutheran in Dell Rapids. She was active with the Dell Rapids Museum and loved horses. She also enjoyed sewing, baking banana bread and pumpkin bars, socializing with friends over a cup of coffee, and spending time with her family and especially her grandkids.

Survivors include her daughters, Kim (Pat) Lindholm, Cheryl (Tim) Bauman, Carol (Joel) Bunkers, Julie Sharp (Kris Sieve), and Mike and Cyndi Drey; grandchildren, Jeremy (Lori), Angie (Jim), Brent, Joshua, Amy (Matt), Brett (Samantha), Michelle (Garrett), Brittnie, Dylan (Stacia), Nikki (Cory), Miriah (Kyle) and Brodie; 27 great-grandchildren; and three great great grandchildren; brothers, Dean (Karen) Skatvold and Keith Skatvold; sister-in-law, Diane Skatvold; cousin and sister she never had, Kathy Magness; and several nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Leslie Walters, son, Gary, daughter, Teresa, and brother, LeRoy Skatvold.

# *In Memory Of* **Judy Mae Walters**

July 6, 1941 † May 3, 2026

## **Funeral Service**

11:00 AM

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

Lutheran Church of Dell Rapids

Dell Rapids, South Dakota

Rev. Sue Grinde

Rev. Tom Opoien

Rachel Pierson, Pianist

## **Congregational Hymns**

“Amazing Grace”

“On Eagles Wings”

“How Great Thou Art”

## **Honorary Pallbearers**

Michael Skatvold

Kelly Skatvold

Justin Drey

Eric Skatvold

Casey Skatvold

Michael Drey

## **Pallbearers**

Jeremy Lindholm

Joshua Bauman

Dylan Bunkers

Brent Lindholm

Brett Bauman

Brodie Sharp

## **Interment**

Pioneer Lutheran Cemetery

Baltic, South Dakota

## *Just a Memory Away*



*I'm no longer by your side,  
but there's no need to weep;  
I've left sweet recollections,  
I'm hoping you would keep.*

*Eternal joy and memories  
stay in our hearts forever,  
Strengthening our special bond  
that parting cannot sever.*

*Now it's time to journey on,  
so let your faith be strong,  
For I am in a better place...  
I'm home where I belong.*

*And if times of loneliness  
bring sorrow and dismay,  
Don't despair, for I am there...  
just a memory away.  
-Rita S. Beer*

*The family of Judy Mae Walters thanks you for your presence and support. They invite you to refreshments and fellowship at the church following service.*



## *A Life Remembered*

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