



Life is but a Stopping Place

*Life is but a stopping place,
A pause in what's to be,
A resting place along the road,
To sweet eternity.
We all have different journeys,
Different paths along the way,
We all were meant to learn some things,
But never meant to stay....
Our destination is a place,
Far greater than we know.
For some the journey's quicker,
For some the journey's slow.
And when the journey finally ends,
We'll claim a great reward,
And find an everlasting peace,
Together with the Lord.
-Author Unknown*



In Loving Memory



Karen A. Beaudine

January 12, 1947 - September 9, 2026

Karen was born on January 12th, 1947, and was the youngest daughter of Nellie (Phelps) Mahar and Ray Mahar. She attended grade and high school in Hamilton, ND, graduating from Hamilton High in 1965. Following her graduation from high school, Karen attended the St. Francis School of Nursing in Fargo, ND completing her degree and passing the Nursing State board exam, qualifying for licensure in both North Dakota and Minnesota.

Karen worked at Pembina County Memorial Hospital for a brief time following graduation and prior to moving to Fargo where she shared her time and talents at Dakota Hospital, Dakota Clinic, St. John's Hospital and the American Nursing Centers of Fargo, ND and Moorhead, MN.

It was while she was in Fargo that she met John A. Beaudine, a Fargo native, and they were wed on September 20th, 1969, at St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Cavalier, ND. They welcomed two children while residing in Fargo, Angela Marie and Kenneth Ray.

Karen and her family later moved back to the rural Hamilton area as Karen wanted to help care for her father, Ray, who had been diagnosed with cancer. After her father's passing, Karen worked at Wedgewood Manor for a time and later became a Human Service Case Manager for Quad County Community Action which later was renamed, Red River Community Action. She worked in this position until her retirement, working closely with other case managers across the counties of Walsh, Nelson, and Pembina. She treasured and valued her many colleagues and enjoyed her role of helping others.

Karen and John were blessed with three precious grandchildren, Morgan, Cameo, and Ty Henry Longtin. Within the last few years, she too was blessed with two beautiful great-granddaughters, Blakely Marie Gust and Elliana Rose Moyer.

Karen enjoyed her many countless conversations, shared humor, and giggles with Wendy Lou Keena and too, Joyce Johnston prior to Joyce's passing. She too cherished her phone time with DaNae Enerson Cremeens with whom she spoke often. Karen celebrated her visits with Barb Ryan, extended bonus family from Grandma Nellie's side, sharing stories and giggles from the past. The family is thankful for these significant relationships as Karen aged and became more bound to home.

Survivors include her children, Angela (Marvin) Longtin, rural Cavalier and Kenny Beaudine, Dumas, Texas; grandchildren, Morgan; Cameo (Keegan) and Ty Henry (Peyton); great grandchildren, Blakely Gust and Elliana Moyer; Sister, Mary Berend; Nephews Jeff (Janet) Berend family; Jason Berend family; and bonus family, found later in life, Barb Ryan (Charley), Barb's children, Zach and Nikki Sears and their families.

Karen was preceded in death by her husband, John; parents, Nellie and Ray Mahar; brother-in-law, Bruce Berend; and her maternal and paternal grandparents.

Karen Ann (Mahar) Beaudine, 79, Cavalier, formerly of rural Hamilton, ND passed away Wednesday, September 9th, 2026, at her home.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Thursday, October 8, 2026 - 7:30 p.m.

Askew Funeral Home

Cavalier, North Dakota

CLERGY

Heather Duerre

READERS

Angela Longtin & Barb Ryan

NURSES TRIBUTE

Patty Becker & Rita Vaughn

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Rock of Ages" "The Old Rugged Cross"
"On Eagle's Wings" "I Have Loved You"*

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Kenny Beaudine Jason Berend Jeff Berend

URN BEARERS

Morgan Longtin Cameo Longtin Ty Longtin

INTERMENT

St. Brigid's Catholic Cemetery

Cavalier, North Dakota