



*God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be
So he put His arms around you and whispered "Come to me."*

*With tearful eyes we watched you as you slowly slipped away
And though we loved you dearly we couldn't make you stay.*

*Your golden heart stopped beating your tired hands put to rest
God broke our hearts to prove to us he only takes the best.*



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Johanna Feist

JUNE 5, 1935 - SEPTEMBER 30 2025



*Hail Mary, Full of Grace
The Lord is with Thee....*



Johanna “Shindy” Feist, 90, of Bismarck, passed away peacefully at her home on September 30, 2025. In God’s perfect timing, she joined her husband, Andy, in heaven, where together they celebrate their 72nd wedding anniversary.

Johanna was born June 5, 1935, in Lehr, ND, the daughter of Christian and Philippiana (Presler) Eszlinger. She attended school in Lehr and in 1951, moved to Bismarck with her best friend, Laverne “Schoky” Stroh. Johanna first worked for Mr. and Mrs. Bill Grainan of Dallas, Texas, stocking oil products.

On September 30, 1953, Johanna married Andrew “Andy” Feist at Cathedral of the Holy Spirit in Bismarck. Andy served in the U.S. Army for 20 years, and together they were stationed in many parts of the world, including Germany, France, Belgium, Switzerland, England, Ireland, Okinawa, Vietnam, Alaska, and nearly every state in the US, except three.

During those years of travel, they were blessed with six children: Keith, Bruce, Kathy, Brian, Kelly, and David. After Andy’s honorable retirement from the Army in 1973, the family returned to Bismarck in 1976.

In 1979, Johanna began babysitting, a role that allowed her to be a full-time mom to her kids. She lovingly cared for countless children, many of whom became like family, and especially treasured the time she spent caring for her own grandchildren.

Shindy loved tending to her garden, caring for her yard, and doting on her dogs. She often said, “In the beginning, God thought, if I spelled my name backwards, I could make something wonderful.” Above all, her greatest joy was her family.

Johanna is survived by her children, Keith Feist and his children, Tony Feist, Mario (Hilary) Feist, and Maria (Curtis) Kruckenberg; Kathy (Randy) Puklich and their daughter, Tara (Jason) Aanonson; Brian Feist and his children, Ashley (Neal) Wolf, Hayley, and Micala; Kelly (Daryl) Feist and their children, Mitch and Cody; David (Lee-Ann) Feist and their children, Madison and Morgan; Bruce Feist’s wife and children, (Lisa) and Dakotah Jane, Bruce Jr., and Lester; and many great grandchildren.

Johanna was predeceased by her husband, Andrew Feist; son, Bruce Feist; and grandson, Andy Feist.

Parish Rosary & Vigil Sunday, October 5, 2025; 3:00 PM
Weigel Funeral Home
309 4th Avenue NW, Mandan, ND

Presider Deacon John Paul Martin

Funeral Liturgy Monday, October 6, 2025; 10:00 AM
Ascension Catholic Church
1905 South 3rd Street, Bismarck, ND

Celebrant Fr. Russell Kovash

Deacon Deacon John Paul Martin

Music Minister Michelle Friedt

Readers Clarence Sayler & Ashley Wolf

Prelude “The Old Rugged Cross” & “Carry Me Home”
Processional Song “Amazing Grace” #571

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading Wisdom 3:1-6, 9
Response Psalm 103

“The Lord is kind and merciful.”

New Testament Reading Revelation 14:13
Gospel Reading John 14:1-6
Homily

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts Song “Hail Mary, Gentle Woman” #684
Presentation of Gifts
Eucharistic Prayer
Communion Songs “I Am the Bread of Life” #355
Communion Meditation “Jesus, Remember Me”
Final Commendation “Song of Farewell” #815
Closing Song “How Great Thou Art” #469

Committal Service St. Mary’s Cemetery
North 23rd Street & East Avenue D, Bismarck, ND

***The family invites you for food & fellowship at
the Ascension Community Room immediately following the burial service.***