



She Watched For Us

She always learned to watch for us,
Anxious if we were late,
In winter by the windows, in summer by the gate.

And though we mocked her tenderly,
Who has such foolish care,
The long way home would seem more safe
Because she waited there.

Her thoughts were all so full of us
She never could forget,
And so I think that where she is
She must be watching yet.

Waiting until we come home to her,
Anxious if we were late,
Watching from Heaven's window,
Leaning on Heaven's gate.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Barbara Mary Schnaser

WHO WAS BORN

October 6, 1937

Ortonville, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

September 27, 2023

Sioux Falls, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Friday, October 6, 2023 - 11:00 a.m.

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

Milbank, South Dakota

CELEBRANT

Padre David Garza

MUSICIANS

Sandy Tucholke, Organist

Bobbi Meyer-Hanson, Pianist

St. Lawrence Funeral Choir

Dani Hicks, Vocalist

CASKET BEARERS

Gregory Ritter | Liam Johnson | Jordan Eastman

Eric Eastman | Hunter Hawley | Fischer Hawley

HONORARY BEARERS

Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

INTERMENT

Mound Cemetery

Ortonville, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Barbara's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.

Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply
appreciated. Following the Mass,

please join the family for food, fellowship,
and sharing of memories in the church fellowship hall.

They graveside service will follow.

Mundvöiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota

Barbara Mary Steen was born on October 6, 1937, in Ortonville, MN. She was the daughter of Oscar and Josephine (Greuel) Steen. She was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Catholic Church in Ortonville and graduated from Clinton Public School in Clinton, MN, in 1955.

Barbara attended the College of St. Catherine School for Nursing, graduating in 1958. She attended four months at St. Mary's School of Anesthesia in Minneapolis. Barbara was united in marriage with Heinz Hildebrandt at Holy Rosary Church in Graceville, MN, on February 27, 1965. She combined her lifelong career of nursing and being a farmer's wife. They farmed in both Malta and Almond Townships in Big Stone County, MN. Heinz passed away in August of 1987.

Barbara married Gordon Schnaser on November 4, 1990, in Grant County, SD, and gained two more children (Gail and Kevin). They made their home in Grant County, living in Revillo, and finally in Milbank. Gordon passed away in 1997.

Barbara enjoyed traveling and visiting family. She ventured throughout Europe, Asia, Canada and the United States. When she was at home, she could be found tending her flowers and doing yard work. She was a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church and was involved with the Visiting Committee and was a Sacristan.

Left to cherish her memory are her children: William Hildebrandt of Chokio, MN; Josephine Eastman (Jay Homrighausen) of Clinton, MN; Jeraldine (Anthony) Ritter of Chokio, MN; Jacqueline (Gregory) Hawley of Sierra Vista, AZ; Frederick (Epetacia) Hildebrandt of Watertown, SD; Leif (Wanda) Hildebrandt of Minneapolis, MN; Gail (Steve) Street of Milbank, SD; and Kevin Schnaser of Revillo, SD; 11 grandchildren: Eric Eastman, Jordan Eastman, Jessica Eastman (Chris Hamlin), Dani Hicks, Brittany (Jake) Folk, Gregory (Breana) Ritter, Kelly (Aaron) Popp, Erika (Adam) Athey, Hailey Hildebrandt, Alyvia Hildebrandt, and Michael Hildebrandt; great-grandchildren: Hunter, Fischer and Wylder Hawley, Chaxton, Brander, Ramzey and Hudson Hicks, Mikaela and Liam Johnson, Joseph, Joshua and Joanna Ritter, Blake and Harrison Popp, Jaxson and Aiden Athey, Ruth and Matthew Hamlin; brothers/sisters-in-law: Gerald Aarhus, Dora and John Barnett

Barbara was preceded in death by her parents: Oscar and Josephine; husbands: Heinz Hildebrandt and Gordon Schnaser; her sister, Harriet Aarhus; her brother Joseph Steen; and her 32nd great-grandson Ragnar Lothbruk.

AMAZING GRACE!

How sweet the sound

'Tis grace hath brought

me safe thus far,

And grace will

bring me home.