



*God looked around his garden
and found an empty place.
He then looked down upon this earth
and saw your tired face.
He put His arms around you
and lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering,
He knew you were in pain,
He knew that you would never
get well on earth again.
He saw that the road was getting rough
and hills were hard to climb,
So he closed your weary eyelids and
whispered, "Peace be thine".
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.*



*In Loving Memory
Mary A. Urlaub*

March 7, 1941 - September 24, 2025



*A Mother's love is something,
That no one can explain.
It is made of deep devotion,
And of sacrifice and pain.
It is endless and unselfish,
And enduring come what may.
For nothing can destroy it,
Or take that love away.*

Mary was born on March 7, 1941, in North Dakota to Earl and Agnes (McGurran) Brown. She was the tenth of fourteen siblings and grew up in a close-knit family. Mary attended school in Cavalier, ND, and after graduation, she spent a short time in a convent in Oregon, discerning a life of faith and service.

She later returned to Walhalla, ND, where she and her husband, Donny Urlaub, raised their three children. In 1985, Mary moved to Bismarck, ND, to pursue her passion for helping others, earning her Bachelor of Social Work degree in 1989. She began her career in Linton, ND, and later returned to Bismarck, where she worked in Child Protection Services at Burleigh County Social Services until her retirement.

In her retirement, Mary found joy in spending winters with her siblings in Southern California and summers back home in North Dakota, enjoying time with family and friends. She cherished her relationships and was known for her warm heart, love of music and dancing, and deep faith. Mary often said, "I am so blessed with my family and friends," "God is good," and "I am proud of my kids." Her unwavering faith and pride in her family were central to her life.

Mary is survived by her children: Chad Urlaub, Kari (Perry) Kopp, Julie (Chad) Klindtworth; her beloved grandchildren: Shannon (Jared) Auch, Matthew (Olga) Kopp, Hunter Klindtworth and Kaylin Klindtworth; and great-grandchildren: Felix Auch, Calvin Auch. She is also survived by her siblings: David (Johnette) Brown, Tom (Marge) Brown, Evelyn Rogers and Earlene (Phil) Kase, as well as many cherished nieces and nephews.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Earl and Agnes Brown, and her siblings: Joseph Earl "Buster" Brown, Jack Brown, Leonard Brown, Theresa Nugent, Katherine White, Eileen Wendt, and Julia Reck.

Mary Agnes Urlaub, age 84, passed away peacefully at her home on September 24, 2025, surrounded by her loving family.

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Friday, October 24, 2025 - 11:00 a.m.

St. Boniface Catholic Church - Walhalla, North Dakota

CELEBRANT

Rev. Fr. Jason Asselin

ROSARY

Jim & Kathleen Carpenter

SPECIAL MUSIC

"On Eagle's Wings" - Olga Kopp

"Ave Maria" - Andi Weber

"Scars in Heaven" - Andi Weber

"Amazing Grace" - Andi Weber

"Song of Farewell" - Andi Weber

"Old Rugged Cross" - Jared Auch

URN BEARERS

Chad Urlaub Kari Kopp Julie Klindtworth

PALLBEARERS

Chad Klindtworth Jared Auch Perry Kopp Bill Willis

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Shannon Auch Matthew Kopp

Kaylin & Hunter Klindtworth

INTERMENT

St. Brigid of Ireland Catholic Cemetery

Cavalier, North Dakota