

Linda (Grahn) Nelson, 66, of Vergas, Minnesota, went to her final home in heaven with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, on Saturday, November 16, 2024.

She was born November 26, 1957, in Perham, Minnesota, to Gerald and Rosella (Kading) Grahn. She graduated from Pelican Rapids High School in 1976 and from NDSU with an Associates Degree in computer programming. She worked as a computer programmer for various companies and also worked/volunteered at ministries in various roles: Secretary at Maranatha Free Lutheran Church (Glyndon, MN), Youth for Christ Parent Life Ministry, Parish Education and Database/Accounting Bookkeeper for the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations, Office Support at Calvary Free Lutheran Church (Fergus Falls, MN), and WMF Leadership.

September 13, 1975, she married Dean S. Nelson at Zion Lutheran Church (Pelican Rapids, MN). They both were transformed forever through God's grace and forgiveness, meeting Jesus in 1988. Without ceasing, she avidly shared her testimony of the amazing grace of Jesus with everyone she encountered. She was a founding member of Maranatha Free Lutheran Church and attended several other congregations, eventually becoming a member of Calvary Free Lutheran Church. While she wasn't traveling with Dean to visit family and friends, she loved activities that allowed her to bless and interact with others, especially her grandchildren (gardening, sewing, baking, knitting).

She is preceded in death by her parents; father and mother-in-law: Carlton and Martha Nelson; brother-in-law Aaron Nelson and sister-in-law Corinne Nelson.

Linda is survived by her husband of 49 years, Dean; one son: Barry (Kyrie) Nelson; three daughters: Kelly (Daniel) Keinanen, Amber Nelson, Jessica (Ryan) Stockman; 11 grandchildren: Silas, Cedric, Teemu, Aria, Gabriel, Mikko, Titus, Adlyn, Aaron, Eilis, Tobias; one uncle: Vernon Kading; four sisters: Gloria Nyland, Ruth (Joseph) Baity, Dolores (Paul) Hugo, Helen (Jeff) Guille; one brother: Gordon Grahn; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

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In Loving Memory



I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid you see,
I took His hand when I heard His call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found the peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joys-
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief-
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts, and peace to thee-
God wanted me now; He set me free.

In Loving Memory of

Linda A. Nelson

Born November 26, 1957, in Perham, Minnesota

Died November 16, 2024, Rochester, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Calvary Free Lutheran Church, Fergus Falls, Minnesota

Friday, November 22, 2024 ~ 11:00 a.m.

Pastor Jim Johnson, Officiating Mary Jones - Pianist

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"It is Well With My Soul" & "I Love to Tell the Story"

SPECIAL MUSIC

Laura Hagen - Soloist & Renee Fuchs - Accompanist

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" & "Jesus Loves Me"

CASKET BEARERS

Linda's Grandchildren

RESTING PLACE

Pelican Valley Cemetery ~ Pelican Rapids, Minnesota

Linda's family would like to thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy and for your presence with them at this service.

They invite you to join them for a time of lunch and fellowship following the service.

Arrangements by Rowe Funeral Home and Cremation Services
Grand Rapids, Minnesota