

Doris Dorothy Marso was born on October 23, 1934, to Frank and Martha (Rademacher) Pillatzki in Appleton, MN. She grew up near Nassau, MN, where she was baptized and confirmed into the Catholic faith. Doris attended Marietta High School. When Doris was young, she often talked about helping on the family farm, including wire-tying hay bales on the baler.

Doris was united in marriage with Cecil Marso on October 25, 1952, in Madison, MN. After their marriage, Doris and Cecil lived near Gary, SD, and Andover, SD, until 1961, when they moved to a farm near Revillo, SD. While living on the farm, she helped with many of the daily tasks and was known for her creativity and hard work. Doris decorated cakes, made candles, sewed clothing, worked on many craft projects, baked bread, and loved spoiling her children and grandchildren with fresh caramel rolls when they came to visit. She sold Tupperware for eight years. Doris was a member of the VFW Auxiliary in Milbank and helped start the DAV Auxiliary Unit 19 in Milbank, where she was an Organized Life Member.

Due to a disability she had from birth, Doris spent many years in a wheelchair, but that never stopped her from taking on challenges or doing things for her family and friends. She was a strong-willed and determined woman. For the last 16 years of her life, she lived in a nursing home, where her quick wit was well known. The aides and nurses often said that if Doris thought something, she would say it. Because of her good luck while playing Bingo and other games, she was affectionately nicknamed “Lucky” by those at the nursing home. Her family and friends honored her for the strength and determination she showed throughout her life while overcoming many challenges.

She is survived by her daughters: MaryAnn (Ken) Cordell of Milbank, SD; and Martha Huber of Ethan, SD; six grandchildren: Charity Sammons of Watertown, SD; Cris Cordell of Milbank, SD; Nicole (Josh) Heitzman of Parkston, SD; Jeremy (Taylor) Huber of Sioux Falls, SD; Anthony Huber of Denver, CO; Travis Huber of Sioux Falls, SD; great-grandchildren: Carmen (Nate) Waldron, Francisco Ortega, Luis Ortega, Tony Sammons, Isaac Cordell, Michael Cordell, Ava Huber, and Liam Cecil Huber; and great-great-granddaughter, Elyana Waldron.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Frank and Martha Pillatzki; her husband, Cecil Marso; three brothers: Raymond, Ervin and Wilbert Pillatzki; two nieces; and one nephew.



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Doris Marso

WHO WAS BORN

October 23, 1934
Appleton, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

March 16, 2026
Mitchell, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Friday, March 20, 2026 - 2:00 p.m.
Mundwiler Funeral Home
Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT

Fr. Tom Hartman

MUSICIAN

Tim Mundwiler

SPECIAL SONGS

“Old Rugged Cross” | “Amazing Grace”

ACTIVE CASKET BEARERS

Jeremy Huber | Anthony Huber | Travis Huber
Josh Heitzman | Luis Ortega | Cris Cordell

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Beloved Grandchildren

BURIAL

St. James Cemetery
Nassau, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Doris’s family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

*There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens:
a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to uproot,
a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to tear down and a time to build,
a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and a time to dance,
a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
a time to search and a time to give up,
a time to keep and a time to throw away,
a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to be silent and a time to speak,
a time to love and a time to hate,
a time for war and a time for peace.*

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Doris's online obituary and guestbook.

