

In Loving Memory
Marlys J. Haiby

Born: June 30, 1935 | Mooreton, North Dakota

Passed Away: September 12, 2026 | Burnsville, Minnesota

Age: 91 Years | 2 Months | 13 Days

Funeral Service

10:30 AM | Saturday, September 26, 2026

Inspirational Lutheran Church | Breckenridge, Minnesota

Officiant

Pastor Tim Collins

Organist

Becki Erlandson

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional.....“Precious Lord, Take My Hand” | #611

Invocation

Scripture Readings Samantha Haiby, Granddaughter

Isaiah 43:1-2 | Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Congregational Hymn“He Touched Me” | #628

Message Pastor Tim Collins

Congregational Hymn“Because He Lives” | #292

Reading Solis Maldonado, Granddaughter

God Hath Not Promised

Pastoral Prayer

Table Prayer A Table Grace, (see back page)

The Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

Recessional.....“Battle Hymn Of The Republic” | #692

Honorary Pallbearer: Tim Olthoff

Pallbearers

Andrew Haiby | Allen Haiby | Christian Maldonado

Elijah Maldonado | Tim Kurtz | Scott Saufferer

Interment

Fairview Cemetery, Garden of Prayer | Wahpeton, North Dakota



On behalf of our family, we thank you for all the support and prayers. Marlys enjoyed your visits, cards, phone calls, and emails, as maintaining relationships was always important to her. The bond she shared with each of you, along with the memories you made together, will forever hold a special place in her heart.



A Table Grace

In the tune of Edelweiss

Bless our friends, Bless our food.
Come, O Lord, and be with us.
Make our words, glow with peace,
come with your love and surround us.
Friendship and peace may it bloom
and grow, bloom and grow forever.
Bless our friends, bless our food,
bless our good works forever.

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1935 - 2026



Her Journey's Just Begun

Don't think of her as gone away -
Her journey's just begun, life holds so many facets -
This earth is only one.

Just think of her as resting from the sorrows and
the tears, in a place of warmth and comfort where
there are no days and years. Think of how she
must be wishing that we could know today,
how nothing but our sadness can really pass away.



And think of her as
living in the hearts of
those she touched...
For nothing loved
is ever lost -
and she was loved
so much.



Marlys was born on June 30, 1935, to Angus and Albertha (Wolfswinkel) Stone on the family farm in Antelope Township, Mooreton, ND. The second oldest of four children, Alvina, Marlys, Norman, and Pamela. She attended grade school at Antelope Consolidated School and graduated from Wahpeton High School in 1953. Marlys attended N.D. State School of Science (now NDSCS) and then received her Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education from Moorhead Teachers College (Minnesota State University Moorhead), Moorhead, MN. She continued her education and received her Master's in Education from the University of Minnesota.

Marlys and Loran Haiby were united in marriage on October 15, 1960, at Breckenridge Lutheran Church, where Marlys taught Sunday School for over 20 years. She also sang in the choir for over 30 years and was active on the church council, parish education committee, and later quilting. Loran passed away in August of 2013 following several health issues.

Marlys worked in radio and television for 11 years, starting while she was a senior in high school at KBMW in Wahpeton, later at KVOX in Moorhead while she attended college. She accepted a full-time position at Channel 7, KCMT-TV in Alexandria, MN (later sold to Channel 5 in Minneapolis), followed by KOTE radio (now KBRF) in Fergus Falls, MN.

After earning her teaching certificate, she taught 1st grade in Campbell, MN, and 1st, 2nd, and 4th grades, and Head Start in the summer in Breckenridge Elementary for a total of 34 years. Marlys particularly loved teaching reading, and she had the opportunity to attend the National Reading Convention in 1972 in Atlanta, Georgia, where she met numerous children's authors. She was named Outstanding Young Educator of the Year in 1972 and the Breckenridge Cowgirls Basketball Booster of the Year for 1996-1997.

Marlys was active in Project Breckenridge for several years, she also served two terms on the Lake Region Arts Council and one term on the Breckenridge School Board.



Marlys is survived by her children, Jay (Janet) of Burnsville, MN, April (Omar) Maldonado of Kirkwood, MO; grandchildren, Andrew and Samantha Haiby, Christian, Solis and Elijah Maldonado, Adreanne (Jake) Summers, great-grandson, Jackson Summers, and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials preferred to the Samaritan's Purse, American Heart Association, or the donor's choice.

**"Don't cry because it's over,
smile because it happened".**

Dr. Seuss

