

*L*orretta Bessie (Priebe) Pfeffer, age 86, of Breckenridge, MN, passed away on Thursday, February 6, 2025.

Lorretta was born on February 4, 1939, in Russell, MN, alongside her twin sister, Lorraine. She graduated from Bertha-Hewitt High School in 1957 and met the love of her life, Allen Pfeffer at a high school football game. They married on August 2, 1958, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bertha. They built a life together on the Pfeffer family farm near Bertha, where they raised six cherished children.

Family was Lorretta's greatest joy, and she treasured gatherings for birthdays and holidays, especially Christmas, Thanksgiving, and Easter. She and Allen loved decorating for the season and even won a local Christmas house decorating contest. A skilled lefse maker, she delighted in eating them fresh off the grill with melting butter.

Her deep faith guided her life, and she was active in St. Paul's Lutheran Church and participated in the ladies' aid there. Later, she was a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Grace Lutheran LWML, Breckenridge and Wahpeton Senior Citizens, and made quilts for Lutheran World Relief. She enjoyed embroidery, crocheting, puzzles, writing memoirs, and playing pinochle with friends. Many fond memories are held at the Chahinkapa Zoo, Wahpeton, ND, where Lorretta loved visiting the otters and carousel with her family. Known fondly as the "pink lady" for her signature color, Lorretta's warmth and kindness will be deeply missed by her loving family.

Lorretta is survived by her son, Duane Pfeffer; son, Bruce Pfeffer, and his son, Damian; daughter, Diane Pfeffer; son, Larry Pfeffer; and daughter, Lori Marchand, and her children, Rachel, Joel, Luke, Micah (Kaitlyn), and Aaron (Madeleine); sister, LaNita Priebe; sister-in-law, Elaine Bening; and many nieces, nephews, and other family members.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Allen Pfeffer; parents, Herman and Evelyn Priebe; daughter, Nancy; twin sister and brother-in-law, Lorraine and Wayne Westergren; brother, Merle Priebe; step-mother, Frieda Priebe; and son-in-law, John Marchand.

*Celebrating* THE *Life* OF



*Lorretta Bessie Pfeffer*

February 4, 1939 — February 6, 2025

The LORD is my *Shepherd;*  
I shall not want.

He maketh me to  
lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters,  
He restoreth my  
*soul:*

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the  
valley of the shadow of death.

*I will fear no evil:  
for Thou art with me;*  
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over

Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house  
of the LORD *forever.*  
- Psalm 23

*The family wishes to express their  
gratitude for your kind expressions of  
sympathy and for honoring Lorretta  
with your presence at the service.*

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*Lorretta Bessie Dwyer*



Born: February 4, 1939 | Russell, Minnesota  
Died: February 6, 2025 | Breckenridge, Minnesota

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

Grace Lutheran Church  
Breckenridge, Minnesota

11:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 19, 2025

**PARTICIPANTS**

Pastor Ross Fritz, Officiant  
Kathy Radig, Musician

**PALLBEARERS**

Rachel Marchand | Aaron Marchand | Damian Pfeiffer  
Arlen Westergren | Jim Priebe | Mark Westergren

**HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

Joel Marchand | Luke Marchand | Micah Marchand

**CONGREGATIONAL MUSIC**

“In The Garden”

“How Great Thou Art,” *Led by Lorretta's Grandchildren*

“Be Still My Soul”

“I'm But A Stranger Here”

**SCRIPTURES**

Isaiah 40:6-11 | Psalm 23 | Romans 8:28-29  
Revelation 21:1-4 | John 10:27-30

**BURIAL**

Riverside Cemetery | Breckenridge, Minnesota