



## Carolyn Reichelt

April 9, 1931 - November 18, 2023

The Mass of Christian Burial for Carolyn Reichelt, of Duluth and formerly of Wadena, will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m on Tuesday, November 28, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Wadena, with Father Gabriel Walz as celebrant. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Wadena, MN.

Visitation will be held at the church on Tuesday beginning at noon, rosary will be said at 12:30p.m. and visitation will continue until the time of the Mass.

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Schuller Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services invites you to view the Carolyn Reichelt Funeral Mass. Go to our Facebook page by searching Schuller Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services.

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Carolyn Reichelt, born to William John and Nettie Elizabeth Ries on April 9, 1931 in Mankato, MN, died peacefully at Westwood Terrace on November 18, 2023 in Duluth, MN. She was 92 years old.

Carolyn grew up in Madison Lake, MN and graduated from Mankato High School in 1949. She attended Mankato State College for 3 years, then transferred to the University of Minnesota where she completed her B.A. in chemistry and psychology in 1954. While spending 1 year in medical school, she met her future husband Leland G. Reichelt while examining a cadaver. Lee and Carolyn married on June 12, 1954 at All Saints Church in Madison

Lake. They lived in Minneapolis and Duluth, eventually making Wadena, MN their home. They vacationed at homes in Walker and Cass Lake, MN, and Mesa, AZ. They had two wonderful sons, Leland Jr. (Gordie) and William Reichelt.

Mrs. Reichelt worked variously as a Medical Technologist at the University of Minnesota, Histological Technician at St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth, Research Associate at the Neuropsychiatric Institute in Fargo, Clinical Instructor at the University of North Dakota Medical School in Grand Forks, and Clinic Administrator for Reichelt Eye Care in Wadena. She made a number of professional presentations and published a variety of articles in professional publications related to her work at UND's Medical School.

Carolyn enjoyed many volunteer activities in Wadena and beyond, especially the GERIAT Project, which brought junior high students into Shady Lane Nursing Home to visit residents. However, her deepest and lifelong interest was public libraries. Her mother introduced her to the wonderful world of libraries at 7 years old (already an avid reader). Carolyn realized early on that libraries could provide children with a marvelous learning base on which to build their lives. She worked diligently to provide these services to children in Wadena, the region, and the state. She took particular pride in the efforts to rebuild the Wadena Library after a damaging fire.

Mrs. Reichelt received the 1985 Wadena Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award and the Minnesota Library Association Certificate of Merit. She enjoyed reading, playing piano, growing orchids, knitting, needlepoint, Bridge Club, and visiting family and friends.

Carolyn is preceded in death by her parents William and Nettie Ries, beloved husband of 60 years Dr. Leland Reichelt, eldest son Leland Gordon Jr., and brother William Ries. She is survived by her loving son and daughter-in-law,

Bill and Jamie Reichelt, along with dear nieces and nephews.

Heartfelt gratitude goes to Westwood Terrace staff for their exceptionally compassionate care.

Memorials will be compiled and distributed between the Wadena Public Library and Lakes Area Pregnancy Support Center per Carolyn's wishes.

# Cemetery Details

## Wadena Cemetery

Franklin Drive & 5th St. SW  
Wadena, MN 56482

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 28. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Ann's Catholic Church  
514 1st St. SE  
Wadena, MN

## Rosary

NOV 28. 12:30 PM (CT)

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514 1st St. SE  
Wadena, MN

## Service

NOV 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Ann's Catholic Church  
514 1st St. SE  
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# Tribute Wall

CC

“ Dear Bill,  
So sorry to hear of your mom’s passing. Please know that you are  
in my thoughts and prayers.  
-Cindy Carew

Cindy Carew - November 28, 2023 at 11:54 PM

MH

“ Marladene Heinen lit a candle in memory of  
Carolyn Reichelt



Marladene Heinen - November 25, 2023 at 02:03 PM

JB

“ Jack Lucille Belch lit a candle in memory of  
Carolyn Reichelt



Jack & Lucille Belch - November 22, 2023 at 11:47 AM

JV

“ Sorry for your loss. Carolyn was a very sweet  
lady. Always a smile and a hello. Prayers to  
you all at this time. Jackie Vandermay Retired  
LPN WMC



Jackie Vandermay - November 21, 2023 at 05:47 PM



“ A grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carolyn Reichelt.

November 21, 2023 at 12:54 PM



“ Mary & Terry Lynk lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Reichelt



Mary & Terry Lynk - November 20, 2023 at 10:00 PM



“ Dear family of Carolyn,  
My sympathy at the loss of your mother. She was a wonderful woman of many talents and had a definite compassion and love for people. We employees of Wadena Medical Center enjoyed her very much and she was such a help to Dr. Reichelt. May you find comfort in God's care and hope in the resurrection. Most sincerely, Donna Moenck, retired RN, WMC

Donna Moenck - November 20, 2023 at 09:13 PM



“ Bob & Kathy Derby lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Reichelt



Bob and Kathy Derby - November 20, 2023 at 10:22 AM

JT

“ *Jim TeVogt lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Reichelt*



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**Jim TeVogt** - November 20, 2023 at 09:33 AM

LI

“ *Linda lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Reichelt*



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**Linda** - November 20, 2023 at 09:12 AM

MM

“ *Marjorie Mohs-Harrison lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Reichelt*



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**Marjorie Mohs-Harrison** - November 20, 2023 at 08:27 AM

KM

“ *Karen Munson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Reichelt*



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**Karen Munson** - November 20, 2023 at 08:22 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Reichelt.* ”



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November 20, 2023 at 07:37 AM



“ *Diane Anderson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Reichelt* ”



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**Diane Schiller Anderson** - November 20, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Cindy & Kim Mortenson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Reichelt* ”



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**Cindy & Kim Mortenson** - November 19, 2023 at 06:18 PM



“ *Sharon Boline lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Reichelt* ”



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**Sharon boline** - November 19, 2023 at 05:52 PM

JJ

“ *Jon Johnson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Reichelt*



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**Jon Johnson** - November 19, 2023 at 01:33 PM

KM

*Carolyn was such a great lady. If I remember right, it was around Christmas time she would make the most delicious apricot kolaches and bring to us, what was then the Wadena Medical Center for coffee.*

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**Karen Munson** - November 20, 2023 at 08:25 AM