



Caryl Ziegenhagen

June 17, 1949 - May 7, 2026

The memorial service celebrating the life of Caryl Ziegenhagen, of South Dakota and formerly of Eagle Bend, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at Shalom Lutheran Church in Alexandria MN, with Pastor David Fleener presiding. Family and friends may gather at the church on Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. until the time of the service. A private family burial will take place at Hope Cemetery in Eagle Bend, MN. In memory of Caryl, the family is asking for everyone to wear pastel colors to the service.

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You are invited to watch the service via live-stream by going to the church's YouTube Page <https://www.youtube.com/@shalomlutheranchurchalexan8523>

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Caryl, age 76, passed away unexpectedly of natural causes on May 7, 2026, in Joplin, MO.

Caryl Ann Jackson was born on June 17, 1949, in Long Prairie, MN, to Wilton and Violet (Carlson) Jackson.

She grew up in Eagle Bend, where she attended school and graduated in 1967. She later continued her education at the Wadena Technical School in the secretarial program.

On March 21, 1970, Caryl married Gene Ziegenhagen at Our Redeemer

Lutheran Church in Moorhead, MN. They built a life centered on faith, family, and caring for others. Caryl devoted herself to her family and found joy in the simple, meaningful things - crocheting, reading, camping and researching family history.

Caryl faithfully served Faith Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend as an Administrative Assistant, but her service there reached far beyond one role. Over the years, she also served as church treasurer, Sunday School Superintendent, director of the Children's Choir, organist, accompanist for the Chapel Choir, and musician for many funerals and weddings. Her faith was an important part of whom she was, active in WELCA and Mission Builders of the ELCA. Mission Builders projects included camp structures in FL, ND, and WI. She also was part of Mission Builders church building projects in Columbia SC, St. Michael/Albertville MN, and Glen Burne MD. In addition to Mission Builder projects, she spent most winters volunteering at Luther Springs in Hawthorne, FL, and in later years volunteering summers at Luther Crest Bible Camp in Alexandria, MN. She gave glory to God for the opportunity to volunteer.

Outside of her faith work she gave her time to the Eagle Valley Teen Center, "The Spot," board and cherished the laughter and friendship she shared with the "Red Hat Mommas."

Caryl was preceded in death by her parents, Wilton and Violet Jackson; aunts and uncles, Clara Sarff, Elmer Carlson, Carl Carlson, Kenneth Jackson, Ray Jackson, and Harold Jackson; parents-in-law, Mabel and Fred Ziegenhagen; and great-grandchildren, Rosie and Beau.

She will be lovingly remembered by her husband, Gene of Sioux Falls, SD; daughters, Lesa (Kevin) Boser of Rice, MN, Tina (Jason) Blashack of Lester Prairie, MN, and Heidi Barr of Glencoe, MN; grandchildren, Ashur (Brayden)

Blashack, Stephanie Asfeld, Brittany (Vance Doll) Asfeld, Emma Blashack, Christina (Zachary) Tvrdik, Allison Asfeld, Noelle Blashack, Meghan Barr, Ryan Barr, and Kennedy Barr; great-grandchildren, Jase Asfeld, Berkleigh Asfeld, and Beckett Tvrdik; brother, Donald (Becky) Jackson; brother -in-law, Bob (Sandy) Ziegenhagen; nieces and nephews; and many other relatives and dear friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Caryl's name may be directed to Luther Crest Bible Camp, 8231 Co Rd 11 NE, Alexandria, MN 56308, or Luther Springs Camp & Conference Center, 264 Vause Lake Rd, Hawthorne, FL 32640, for campership scholarships.

The Country Basket in Eagle Bend, MN is the family's recommendation should anyone still like to send flowers/plants. (The Country Basket 218-738-5681, www.countrybasketmn.com)

Previous Events

Gathering of Family & Friends

MAY 26. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Shalom Lutheran Church
681 Voyager Dr.
Alexandria, MN 56308

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Caryl Ziegenhagen



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - May 19 at 12:06 PM

NA

Beautiful tribute to your mom!!! She was an amazing friend to me!!! Such a caring, loving ❤️ lady. She will be missed deeply.

Nancy - May 19 at 11:26 PM

TA

What a beautiful tribute

Tammy Anderson - May 20 at 03:53 AM

RC

Peace be with you and your Family. My condolences 🙏

Rebecca Clarkin - May 20 at 04:01 AM

KM

A beautiful tribute to your mom. She was a kind lady. Prayers for you all. 💕🙏

Katherine Mittag - May 25 at 10:17 AM

FA

“ Faye Arntson lit a candle in memory of Caryl Ziegenhagen



Faye Arntson - May 25 at 11:41 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Caryl Ziegenhagen.



May 25 at 02:08 PM

HM

“ Helena, Karah and Mike purchased the Heartfelt Memories for the family of Caryl Ziegenhagen.



Helena, Karah and Mike - May 22 at 08:14 PM

HM

“ Helena, Karah and Mike planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Caryl Ziegenhagen.

Helena, Karah and Mike - May 22 at 08:14 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Caryl Ziegenhagen.



May 21 at 11:49 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Caryl Ziegenhagen.

May 21 at 11:49 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Caryl Ziegenhagen.



May 20 at 10:13 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Caryl Ziegenhagen.

May 20 at 10:13 AM



“ 45 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



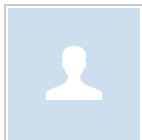
Schuller Family Funeral Homes - May 19 at 12:04 PM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of Caryl Ziegenhagen.



May 19 at 11:53 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Caryl Ziegenhagen.



May 18 at 02:26 PM

CN

“ *Connie Nelson lit a candle in memory of Caryl Ziegenhagen*



Connie Nelson - May 15 at 02:06 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Caryl Ziegenhagen.*



May 15 at 10:43 AM

NA

“ *Nancy lit a candle in memory of Caryl Ziegenhagen*



Nancy - May 12 at 07:40 PM

BO

“ *Bruce and Linda Oftedahl lit a candle in memory of Caryl Ziegenhagen*



Bruce and Linda Oftedahl - May 12 at 03:03 PM

KL

“ *Rest in peace, neighbor, until we meet again in heaven.*



Kim Lind - May 11 at 02:23 AM

KL

“ *Kim Lind lit a candle in memory of Caryl Ziegenhagen*



Kim Lind - May 11 at 02:22 AM

DR

“ *Gene and Caryl lived across the street from us when Don had his first call to Immanuel Lutheran in Eagle Bend. We enjoyed their friendship so much. Had lots of laughs and late night grilling parties. She will be missed for sure.*

Dawn Reisig - May 10 at 12:25 PM

DR

“ *Dawn Reisig lit a candle in memory of Caryl Ziegenhagen*



Dawn Reisig - May 10 at 12:22 PM

MA

“ *She was always so amazing at a piano or organ!!! The Colorado cousins send their love to the family.*

mark - May 09 at 06:47 PM

JJ

“ *Jon Johnson lit a candle in memory of Caryl Ziegenhagen*



Jon Johnson - May 09 at 12:44 PM

JB

“ *John and Audrey Blashack lit a candle in memory of Caryl Ziegenhagen*



John and Audrey Blashack - May 09 at 08:40 AM

SB

“ *So sorry to hear the news of Caryl. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sandy and Doug Busch*



Sandy Busch - May 09 at 06:10 AM