



Catherine Babcock

April 30, 1923 - November 26, 2018

The Celebration of Life memorial service for Catherine Babcock, of Fergus Falls and formerly of Wadena, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 30, at the St. John Lutheran Church in Wadena, with Pastor Stephen Meltzer presiding. Visitation with the family will be held at the church on Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service. The family chose April 30th to celebrate Catherine's life on what would have been her 96th birthday.

Catherine, age 95, peacefully passed away on Monday, November 26, 2018, at the Broen Memorial Home in Fergus Falls, MN.

Catherine was the last child born to Carl Andrew and Sarah Catherine "Kate" (Eckman) Borchers on April 30, 1923, in rural Deer Creek, MN. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith at Trinity Lutheran Church in Deer Creek. After high school graduation she greeted the public as a sales person at the Lyman Store in Wrightstown, and at J C Penney in Wadena. Catherine was united in marriage with Ronald W. Babcock on February 4, 1944, in Deer Creek. Their son Steve was born December 31, 1948. By 1970, Ron and Catherine purchased the LaMay Auto Parts store in Wadena, and served their customers for 20 years. After they closed the auto parts store the building became home to Hurrah and later Maurices clothing stores. It is now part of Pizza Ranch. Away from work, Catherine was a talented seamstress and sewed a lot of her granddaughter's dresses. She also

belonged to a neighborhood ladies sewing club.

Preceding Catherine in death were her husband, Ron, on December 12, 1999; parents, Carl and Kate; brother, Clark Borchers; and sisters, Ada Lohman, Marie Menze, and Charlotte Brunko; and nieces and nephews.

Catherine is survived by her devoted son, Steve (Linda) of Edina; granddaughter, Bethany (Reid) Bradley of Edina and great-grandchildren, June, Duncan and Berk; along with several nieces and nephews.

Urn bearer will be Steve Babcock. Honorary urn bearers will be Gary Brunko, James South, Glen Lohman, Dale Borchers, Dayle Veen, Les Lindholm, Craig Folkestad and Robert Iken, Jr.

Burial will be in Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

Steve and Linda express their appreciation for the kind and thoughtful care given to Catherine by the staff at the Broen Memorial Home in Fergus Falls and at Sheridan House in Fergus Falls.

Memorials are preferred.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 30. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church
710 Franklin Ave. SW
Wadena, MN 56482

Celebration of Life

APR 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

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710 Franklin Ave. SW
Wadena, MN 56482

Tribute Wall

KO

“ *Sorry for your loss Steve and Linda!*

Ken & Joanne Ostlund - April 28, 2019 at 12:46 PM

BN

“ *Barry & Sandi Pratt & Naomi lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock*



Barry & Sandi Pratt & Naomi - December 15, 2018 at 10:06 PM

VJ

“ *Scott, Vicki, Ryan, Autumn, Jahnke*



Vicki Jahnke - December 06, 2018 at 03:49 PM

JA

“ *James & Debbie Aanden lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock*



James & Debbie Aanden - December 05, 2018 at 10:15 AM

MF

“ *I am sorry for your loss, Steve.*

Merideth Frost - December 04, 2018 at 06:01 PM

TW

“ *Mr. Babcock and family - Our deepest sympathies for the loss of your dear mother. The world seems a bit dimmer without our mothers. Prayers for peace and healing.*

Tara (Delaney) Weber, New York Mills, MN

Tara Weber - December 04, 2018 at 09:21 AM

RL

“ *Ruby Lynk lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock*



Ruby Lynk - December 03, 2018 at 10:02 AM

AB

“ *Alan Bielema lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock*



Alan Bielema - December 01, 2018 at 09:26 AM



“ *Bethany Bradley lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock* ”



Bethany Bradley - November 30, 2018 at 12:55 PM

DF

“ *Dave & Sharon Folkestad lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock* ”



Dave & Sharon Folkestad - November 29, 2018 at 10:27 PM

IB

“ *Irene & Jerry Baron lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock* ”



Irene & Jerry Baron - November 29, 2018 at 08:49 PM

MM

“ *Michael Mueller lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock* ”



Michael Mueller - November 29, 2018 at 06:38 PM

LA

“ *My deepest sympathy in the loss of your mother. Louise Amberg*

Louise Amberg - November 29, 2018 at 06:23 AM

JE

“ *Steve, My condolences on the death of your mother.*



Jane Erckenbrack - November 28, 2018 at 01:30 PM

CS

“ *Charlotte Stemson lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock*



Charlotte Stemson - November 27, 2018 at 09:32 PM

MW

“ *Myron And Karen Winkelman lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock*



Myron and Karen Winkelman - November 27, 2018 at 03:32 PM

MS

“ Mike And Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock



Mike and Lea Snyder - November 27, 2018 at 10:26 AM

JS

“ Jim & Tracey Stoneman lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock



Jim & Tracey Stoneman - November 27, 2018 at 04:18 AM

JD

“ Deepest sympathy to you on your loss.



Julie & George Deiss - November 26, 2018 at 08:08 PM

RK

“ Rich & Mavis Kendall lit a candle in memory of Catherine Babcock



Rich & Mavis Kendall - November 26, 2018 at 06:16 PM