



## Frances Westergren

February 6, 1946 - June 13, 2024

Frances Kaye Westergren, age 78, of Brooklyn Center, and formerly of Bertha and Wadena, passed away suddenly on June 13, 2024, at Maranatha Care Center, Presbyterian Homes in Brooklyn Center, MN.

A family graveside service will be held at a future date at Zion Cemetery, Bertha MN.

Fran was born the second child of Stanley and Eileen (Krause) Westergren on February 6, 1946, in Bertha MN. Growing up on the farm meant helping care for four younger siblings and participating in the Bertha High Flyers, a Todd County 4-H club. Her 4-H entries included cooking and baking as well as participation in many other programs. At Bertha-Hewitt High School she was active in the marching band and several school activities. After graduation she attended Clinton Job Corps Center for Child Development. Fran spent several years as a live-in nanny and was always happy to assist her brothers with childcare when needed. After moving to Wadena, she held jobs in food preparation and service in several area locations, including the family café, Eileen's Kitchen. In her retirement years, she relocated to the Twin Cities to be closer to family.

Fran was a devoted Minnesota sports fan, especially cheering on the Vikings and the Twins. She loved challenging jigsaw puzzles, both at her puzzle table

in her apartment and with fellow retired residents in the community activity room. Her outgoing personality won her many friends in both the Wadena area and Brooklyn Center; all of whom will miss her beaming smile. She loved her family and welcomed visits and communications of all varieties. Fran enjoyed experiencing new places, by bus trips to area attractions and family outings in Colorado, Hawaii, West Virginia, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Iowa.

She is survived by brothers Larry (Judy) of Iowa, Don of Colorado, and Dean of Minneapolis; sister Sandra of Minneapolis; nieces, nephews, spouses, and children; aunts Sylvia, Evelyn, Marilee, and Betty; Uncle Eugene; cousins and friends.

Fran is preceded in death by her parents, Stanley and Eileen; brother Dan; many aunts and uncles; cousins; and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Zion Cemetery

43815 County Road 1  
Bertha, MN 56437

# Tribute Wall

DW

“ Hey Fran, you drove me crazy often. I hope that we are good... See you later, time and place TBD! ,Dean

Dean Westergren - July 27, 2025 at 06:21 PM

ML

“ Dean and Sandra, sorry for the loss of your sister. Mary Schwartz-Lunzer

Mary Lunzer - July 01, 2024 at 01:54 PM

AB

“ Audrey Blashack lit a candle in memory of Frances Westergren



audrey blashack - June 23, 2024 at 08:05 PM

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Audrey Blashack - June 22, 2024 at 08:09 PM

RG

“ Rosie Graphenteen lit a candle in memory of Frances Westergren



Rosie Graphenteen - June 21, 2024 at 08:31 PM

SS

“ Frances used the casino bus now and then. I have fond memories of her in Verndale, also. Very sweet and kind woman and a nice addition to God's Heaven.

Szllly Siegler - June 18, 2024 at 09:57 PM

SL

“ One of the kindest ladies I've ever met. Go rest high!



Sher Linnes - June 18, 2024 at 09:34 PM

JP

“ Remembering Francis as such a kind gentle person! My sympathies to all of you



judy and john pokorney - June 18, 2024 at 08:01 PM

JP

“ We had fun at Area Christian Singles in the 90's - early 2000's.

Julia Peery - June 18, 2024 at 02:40 PM

RA

“ Rita Anderson lit a candle in memory of Frances Westergren



Rita Anderson - June 17, 2024 at 04:24 PM



“ She had the greatest car ... her air conditioning came on in the winter and heat in the summer!!!!

Katherine Rohr - June 17, 2024 at 02:51 PM



“ I often picked her up at Humphrey Manor ato go out to eat! In the summertime we went to Viming for "Watermelon Days".

Katherine Rohr - June 17, 2024 at 02:49 PM



“ She was a very good dishwasher at the Pine Cove Inn near Wadena and at Yesteryears Cafe in Verndale!!!



Katherine Rohr - June 17, 2024 at 02:47 PM