



Janice Venzke

October 9, 1941 - March 13, 2022

The funeral service for Janice Venzke of Wadena will be held at 11:00 am. Friday, March 18 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena, MN.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, at the Johnson-Schuller Chapel in Wadena from 4:00 until 7:00 p.m., with a tribute by the VFW Auxiliary at 4:30 p.m. Visitation will resume at the church on Friday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service.

Janice, age 80, passed away peacefully of natural causes at the home she loved in Wadena, MN, on March 13, 2022.

Janice Marie Poppen was born to Fred and Alma (Albrecht) Poppen on October 9, 1941, in De Smet, SD.

Janice was united in marriage with Larry Meyer in 1964, and had two children, Kim and Loren. Jan and Larry divorced, and later Jan married Chuck Venzke, in 2000. This added two children, Mike and Kristel to the family.

Having lived most of her life in Wadena, Jan will be remembered as a waitress at Schmidt Sportsman's Bar, an aide at the Wadena Elementary School, and as a sales associate at Coast-to-Coast Hardware and Merickel Ace Hardware.

Jan enjoyed many years of bowling on different leagues and going to numerous tournaments with her friends. She also found joy in cooking, baking, traveling, sewing, playing cards, gardening, canning, camping, shopping and all-around get-togethers. The time she spent as Auxiliary President and with the other Wadena VFW volunteers brought her a lot of joy, whether it was helping with the fish fry, poppy sales, feeding those in need, or supporting the workers and volunteers after the 2010 tornado in Wadena. She liked helping people!

Preceding Janice in death were her husband, Charles (2018); parents, Fred and Alma; brothers, Fred Jr, Paul, John, and Carroll; and granddaughter, Sara Ludovissie.

Memories of Jan will remain with her children, Kim Ditsworth and Loren (Kathy) Meyer both of Wadena; grandchildren, Josh Ditsworth, Kelsey (John) Chouinard, Kaitlin Ditsworth, Robbie (Kimberlee) Ludovissie, Logan (Britta) Meyer; siblings, Alan Poppen, Lyle Poppen, and Joyce (Marvin) Thompson; Chuck's children, Kristel (Steve) Wittstruck of Eagen and Mike Venzke of Fargo, ND; grandchildren, Cheramie Venzke, Gabriel Venzke, Shane Wittstruck, Blake Wittstruck, Riley Wittstruck; and eight great-grandchildren; along with numerous friends.

Burial will be in Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 17. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
Wadena, MN 56482
(218) 631-3632

Visitation

MAR 18. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Wadena
403 2nd St. SE
Wadena, MN 56482

Service

MAR 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Wadena
403 2nd St. SE
Wadena, MN 56482

Tribute Wall



“ Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Janice Venzke



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - March 16, 2022 at 11:32 AM

SL

“ I have many many great memories from my childhood on with Jan!! Loved her always. All my best to you, Kim and Loren along with families. Hugs and love.



Sher Linnes - March 21, 2022 at 07:59 PM

LE

“ Lorraine Endres lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke



Lorraine Endres - March 19, 2022 at 02:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Janice Venzke.*



March 18, 2022 at 01:21 AM



“ *Sue McDonald (Halliwill) lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke*



Sue McDonald (Halliwill) - March 17, 2022 at 08:44 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Janice Venzke.*



March 16, 2022 at 08:35 PM



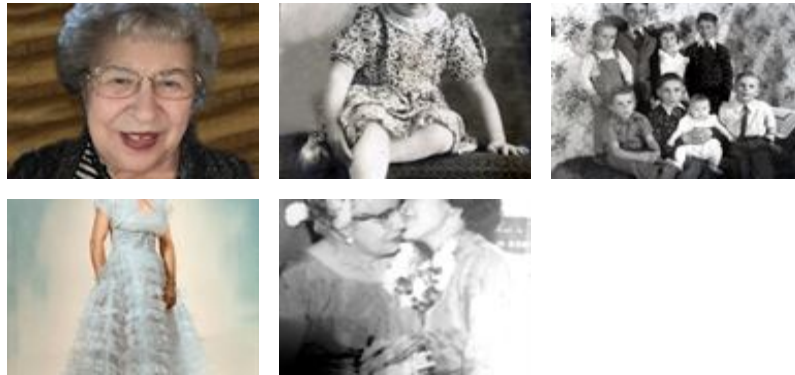
“ *Mary&Tom Ludovissie lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke*



Mary&Tom Ludovissie - March 16, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ 46 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - March 16, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of *Janice Venzke*.



March 16, 2022 at 05:15 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Janice Venzke*.

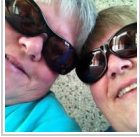


March 15, 2022 at 09:20 PM



“ *Friends for a long time, from Memphis TN, Prayers for the whole family.*

Larry Mills - March 15, 2022 at 06:36 PM



“ Rocky Reese lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke



Rocky Reese - March 15, 2022 at 05:58 PM



“ Jon & Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke



Jon & Patty Johnson - March 15, 2022 at 03:43 PM



“ Kelly Bain lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke



Kelly Bain - March 15, 2022 at 02:12 PM



“ Darrell & Peggy Haman lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke



Darrell & Peggy Haman - March 15, 2022 at 10:05 AM

ST

“ Prayers & sympathy to the family.



Sue Theisen - March 15, 2022 at 09:23 AM

GC

“ Gladys And Charles Chase lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke



Gladys and Charles Chase - March 15, 2022 at 08:43 AM

DK

“ Dan Kern lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke



Dan Kern - March 15, 2022 at 06:34 AM

DI

“ Best sister-in-law ever. I can still hear her laughter and see her smile. She will surely be missed.



Diana - March 14, 2022 at 10:09 PM

CU

“ *Many memories playing cards Friday night with Jan and many other good people in Wadena.*

Cindy Umland - March 14, 2022 at 10:04 PM

CU

“ *Cindy Umland lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke*



Cindy Umland - March 14, 2022 at 10:02 PM

BP

“ *Bonnie & Ron Price lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke*



Bonnie & Ron Price - March 14, 2022 at 10:00 PM

 Ben Tellers

“ *Ben Tellers lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke*



Ben Tellers - March 14, 2022 at 07:29 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Janice Venzke.*



March 14, 2022 at 07:22 PM



“ *Bruce And Barb Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Janice Venzke*



Bruce and Barb Brown - March 14, 2022 at 05:55 PM



“ *Morris & Karen Priebe lit a candle in memory of Janice Venzke*



Morris & Karen Priebe - March 14, 2022 at 04:44 PM