



Joyce Willis

March 19, 1929 - May 12, 2016

The memorial service celebrating the life of Joyce Willis will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 24, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena, with Pastor Nate Loer presiding. Visitation with the family will be held one hour prior to the memorial service. Joyce Louise (Veenbaas) Willis passed away May 12, 2016 at the Country Manor Nursing Home in Sartell MN.

Joyce was born March 19, 1929 in Brookings, SD, to Wopke and Clara (Wiersma) Veenbaas. She grew up in Volga SD, eventually moving to Brookings and graduating from Brookings High School in 1947. She attended South Dakota State College where she met Harold Willis and they were married on August 20, 1950 in Brookings. They lived in Hendricks and Ortonville before moving to Wadena in 1955 where they raised their family. They lived in Wadena until 2009.

Joyce was a devoted wife and mother. She loved her family, entertaining, playing bridge, biking, and listening to music. She was a fabulous cook and maker of pies! Joyce was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena.

Survivors include her sister Betty Mueller of Mound MN; sons Greg and his wife Pam, of Henderson, NV; Jebb of St. Joseph, MN; Bradford and his wife Tammy, of Albert Lea, MN; daughter Kari Selisker and her companion Kyle of

West Fargo, ND; along with ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Joyce was preceded in death by her husband, Harold; her parents; brother John; and sisters Margaret, Dora, and Francis.

The Willis family would like to thank the staff at the Country Manor Nursing Home, Memory CareUnit. They took very good care of Joyce.

Cemetery Details

Hendricks Cemetery

Hendricks, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ Rick Grewe lit a candle in memory of Joyce Willis



Rick Grewe - June 22, 2016 at 09:37 AM



I'll always remembers Joyce's beautiful smile and devotion to her family.

Rick Grewe - June 22, 2016 at 09:38 AM



“ Cherished Memories was purchased for the family of Joyce Willis.



June 15, 2016 at 02:40 PM



“ SCOTT EKRN lit a candle in memory of Joyce Willis



SCOTT EKRN - May 28, 2016 at 11:21 PM

JH

“ *Jay Hutson lit a candle in memory of Joyce Willis*



Jay Hutson - May 23, 2016 at 04:38 PM

RS

“ *She was a beautiful woman who married a good man and had a wonderful family. Randy Stofer*

Randy Stofer - May 18, 2016 at 09:11 AM

BP

“ *Barry & Sandi Pratt lit a candle in memory of Joyce Willis*



Barry & Sandi Pratt - May 16, 2016 at 11:46 PM

RH

“ *Rose Hammes lit a candle in memory of Joyce Willis*



rose hammes - May 16, 2016 at 08:12 AM

TC

“ Tom Conzemius lit a candle in memory of Joyce Willis



Tom Conzemius - May 15, 2016 at 07:46 PM

MT

“ Missy Tabery lit a candle in memory of Joyce Willis



Missy Tabery - May 15, 2016 at 07:31 AM

JS

“ Jim Stoneman lit a candle in memory of Joyce Willis



Jim Stoneman - May 14, 2016 at 11:38 AM

JC

“ Joan G Cooney lit a candle in memory of Joyce Willis



Joan G Cooney - May 14, 2016 at 09:23 AM

MF

“ *The Willis family was a neighbor to me at one time and always enjoyed chatting with Joyce and Harold.*



Marie (Carlson) Fraune - May 14, 2016 at 08:03 AM