



Judy Loeffen

November 30, 1944 - November 24, 2024

The memorial service celebrating the life of Judy Loeffen of Wadena and formerly of Sebeka, will be held at 2:00p.m on Monday, December 2, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena with Pastor Nate Loer presiding. Visitation will be held at the church on Monday, from 12:30p.m. until the time of the service. Burial will be held in the spring of 2025, in Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

Judy's memorial service may be viewed by going to Immanuel Lutheran's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/immanuelwadena> or <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EOIHtdFXv0Q>

Just days before her 80th birthday, Judy unexpectedly passed away with family at her side on Sunday, November 24, 2024, at the St Cloud Hospital. Judith "Judy" Arlene Hietala was born to William and Ida (Salo) Hietala on November 30, 1944, at Wesley Hospital in Wadena, MN. She attended country school for three years before going to New York Mills Public School and continued her education at the Area Vocational Technical Institute, now MState, in Wadena.

On May 31, 1975, Judy married the love of her life, John "Jack" Leonard Loeffen, Jr and they made their home in Wadena. They later moved to Otter Tail Lake, then relocated to a hobby farm near Sebeka, and most recently moved back to Wadena. Judy worked as an administrative assistant for the Midwestern Gas Company and later at Lund Boats in New York Mills. She loved her cats, reading, and enjoyed gardening and her flowers. All the homes

where she lived were beautifully decorated inside, and throughout her gardens. A terrific baker, she was often looking up new recipes to try. Her Finnish heritage brought her great pride. She was a member of the Wadena VFW Auxiliary, a Bible study, and a Christian women's group. Judy will be remembered as a spunky, sassy, well-dressed woman who loved the Lord. She was also a stubborn, yet strong, woman who spoke her mind. Always ready to help others, Judy had a generous heart with her family and friends. She was a caring and supportive wife, mother and grandmother, who absolutely loved her husband Jack and daughters, Brenda, Cindy and Sue. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren were so adored by her that even at the age of nearly 80, she got down on the floor to play with them. Judy's loving family will remember her beautiful smile and miss her deeply even though they know she is now in the loving arms of her Lord.

Preceding Judy in death were her parents William and Ida; siblings: Virgil and Donald Hietala, Betty Kiminki and Bernice Dornbusch; grandson Toby Windels; and son-in-law Randy Windels.

Forever loved, Judy is survived by her husband, Jack of Wadena; daughters: Brenda Windels of Wadena, Cindy (Curt) Kuehl of Pierre, SD and Sue (Pat) Malone of Saratoga, WY; five grandchildren: Hailey, Curry, Macey, Ryan and Cody; five great-grandchildren: Warren, Kamryn, Kaizer, Huxley and Walker; sisters-in-law: Betty Hietala, Bette Lou Hietala, Ann Marie Tilleskjaer, Peggy Anderson, Clara Reipe, Carol Ann Kleutner, Nancy Hanson, Barbara Henner, and Jeanette Jenkins; brother-in-law Tom Loeffen; along with extended family, friends, neighbors, and former coworkers.

Honorary urn bearers will be all of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Gathering of Family & Friends

DEC 2. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Memorial Service

DEC 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Judy Loeffen



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - November 28, 2024 at 01:08 AM

MJ

A very special lady.

Marie Johnson - November 29, 2024 at 11:08 PM

CJ

“ I was Judy's supervisor at Midwestern gas years ago. Hadn't thought of her for years
Sorry for the family. Cicely johnson

Cicely johnson - January 02, 2025 at 08:56 PM

DK

“ Jack and family, So sorry for your loss! Just read this today! We were your neighbors on Ottertail Lake!. May she rest in peace!

Doug Schroederand Diane Krumwiede - December 12, 2024 at 12:20 PM

GD

“ *Deepest sympathy on your loss*



George Julie Deiss - December 02, 2024 at 12:55 PM

DC

“ *Our deepest sympathy to Jack, Brenda, Cindy, and Sue with the loss of your loving wife and mother. Judy was great to visit with and we were happy to have her as a friend.*



Don and Cheryl Crabb - December 01, 2024 at 02:09 PM

SH

“ *Brenda, Your mom was such a beautiful person, all the cats that she had I knew she was a kind and caring person. What a wonderful mother you had.*



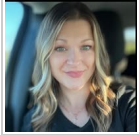
sharon heinen - December 01, 2024 at 02:08 PM

LK

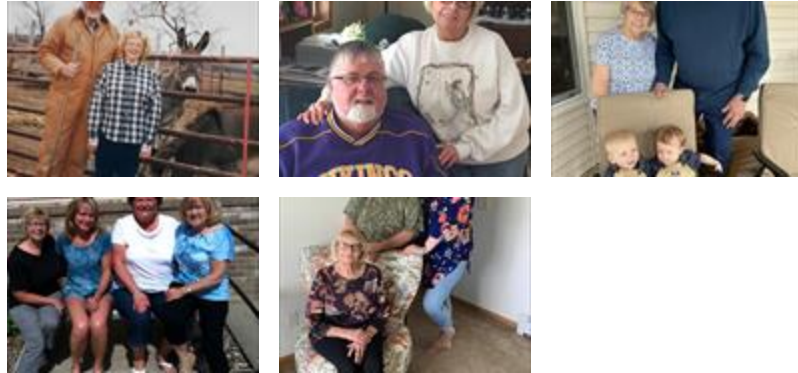
“ *Lee & Patty Kicker lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Lee & Patty Kicker - December 01, 2024 at 12:33 PM



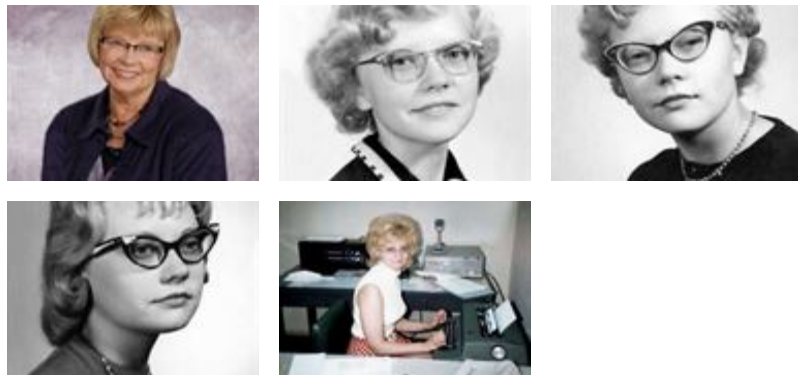
“ 15 files added to the tribute wall



Hailey Windels - November 27, 2024 at 09:45 PM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - November 27, 2024 at 08:03 PM



“ What a wonderful person Judy was - always a smile on her face and a big hug, whenever I saw her. Much love and hugs to Jack, Brenda, Cindy, Sue and and families ❤️. Celebrate your birthday in a big way sweet Judy!



Christie (Crabb) Hennagir - November 27, 2024 at 06:03 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Judy Loeffen.*



November 27, 2024 at 05:04 PM



“ *Glen Donna Wood lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Glen Donna Wood - November 27, 2024 at 04:54 PM



“ *Donna Grendahl lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Donna Grendahl - November 27, 2024 at 03:29 PM



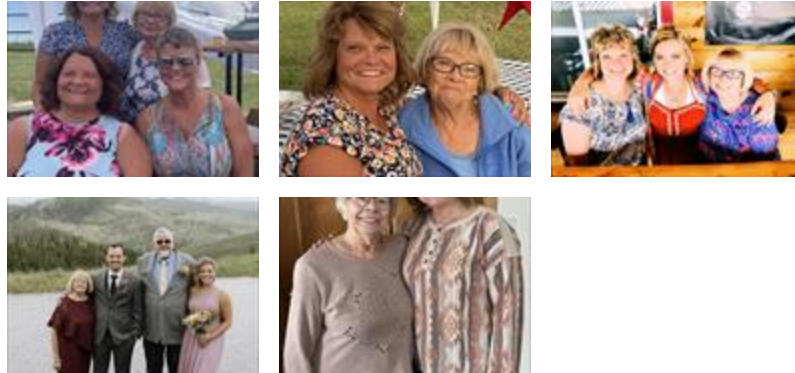
“ *Esther and Alan Freitag lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Esther and Alan Freitag - November 27, 2024 at 01:03 PM

SM

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



sue malone - November 27, 2024 at 12:19 PM

MS

“ Marvin, Kim Stokes lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen



Marvin, Kim Stokes - November 27, 2024 at 12:06 PM

JR

“ Jeff & Toni Rimpila lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen



Jeff & Toni Rimpila - November 27, 2024 at 12:05 PM

LM

“ *Lois Miller lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Lois Miller - November 27, 2024 at 11:46 AM

PM

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Pat Malone - November 27, 2024 at 10:37 AM

SB

“ *Sharon Boline lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Sharon Boline - November 27, 2024 at 08:37 AM



“ *Rocky Reese lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Rocky Reese - November 26, 2024 at 11:27 PM

MH

“ *Wishing you comfort and peace during this difficult time. Mary and Mark Houle*



Mary Houle - November 26, 2024 at 09:52 PM

RK

“ *Rich & Mavis Kendall lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Rich & Mavis Kendall - November 26, 2024 at 09:21 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Judy Loeffen.*



November 26, 2024 at 08:43 PM

SF

“ *Sandy Frost lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Sandy Frost - November 26, 2024 at 08:27 PM

AM

“ *Our deepest sympathies on the loss of your beautiful wife, mother and grandmother.*



Alan and Shirley Malone - November 26, 2024 at 08:10 PM

JJ

“ *Jon and Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Jon and Patty Johnson - November 26, 2024 at 01:16 PM

KP

“ *Karen Priebe lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Karen Priebe - November 26, 2024 at 10:51 AM

SM

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



sue malone - November 26, 2024 at 09:11 AM

AM

Beautiful photo!

Alan and Shirley Malone - November 26, 2024 at 08:11 PM

RS

“ Rhonda Snyder lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen



Rhonda Snyder - November 26, 2024 at 05:57 AM

JE

“ Jane Erckenbrack lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen



Jane Erckenbrack - November 25, 2024 at 11:51 PM

DA

“ Our earth lost a ray of light with Judy's passing. I always enjoyed our random visits. May special memories & the love and support of family & friends bring comfort & sustain you all in the days ahead. 🙏



Di Schiller Anderson - November 25, 2024 at 10:48 PM

KP

“ My deepest sympathies to all 3 of you girls, Brenda, Cindy and Sue as well as to your extended families.

Krista (Lien) Potter - November 25, 2024 at 08:42 PM

JE

“ *Judy Erdahl lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Judy Erdahl - November 25, 2024 at 07:14 PM

KB

“ *Kelly (Anderson) Bain lit a candle in memory of Judy Loeffen*



Kelly (Anderson) Bain - November 25, 2024 at 06:07 PM