



L. Marie Harris Folkestad

June 4, 1925 - September 13, 2021

The funeral service for L. Marie Harris Folkestad of Wadena was held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, September 27, at the Wadena Alliance Church, with Pastors Vaughn White, Christopher Folkestad and Brian Malvig presiding.

L. Marie Harris Folkestad, 96, of Wadena, Minnesota, went home to be with the Lord on Monday, September 13, 2021, while at home with family by her side.

Marie was born on June 4, 1925 to Charles E. Harris and Florence (Carter) Harris in Hewitt, Minnesota, the second of six children. She was actively involved in school and was a high school cheerleader. As there were no school sports for girls at that time, she played on a GRA girls basketball team. She graduated from Hewitt High School in 1943.

After high school, she lived and worked in California for a short time. She returned to Minnesota to work in Minneapolis and then Wadena. On June 7, 1946, she married Roger Folkestad of Wadena. She then devoted her life to her family and was a wonderful mother to their six children.

Marie was a member and very involved in the Alliance Church in Wadena, giving of her time and gifts in any way she could. She taught Sunday School, Bible School, worked on the Fellowship Committee, and took an active role in

the WMPF (Alliance Women). She graciously welcomed visiting missionaries into the home, demonstrating to her family her gift of hospitality. She enjoyed gardening, ceramics, sewing, needlework, and especially cooking and baking. There were always treats to share, whether it be brownies, molasses or chocolate chip cookies, or caramel rolls. She made certain each holiday included her delicious homemade lefse. Most recently, she was often found encouraging others to share her treats of “special vitamins” (Werther’s or Lifesaver candies). She enjoyed spending time with friends and family playing Rook and was a faithful fan of the Minnesota Timberwolves and Lynx.

As Marie and Roger’s family grew to include grandchildren and great grandchildren, so did her love, making each new addition feel important and special.

Marie was always kind, loving, and caring to all, including those who cared for her in her home over the past three years. Numerous times a day, you would hear her telling them, “Very good. Very good”.

Marie and Roger were blessed to celebrate their marriage of 75 years this past June. She will be greatly missed, but will live on in the lives and memories of her family forever. We look forward to reuniting with her again one day.

Marie is survived by her husband, Roger; children, Connie (Dave) Steiner of Menahga, Chuck (Becky) Folkestad of Park Rapids, Curt (Deb) Folkestad of Wadena, Craig (Eve) Folkestad of Wadena, Cheri (Rick) Klemond of Duluth, and Christi (Dave) Nelson of Wadena; 25 grandchildren, 41 great grandchildren with 3 on the way; sisters-in-law, Jeanette Harris of San Antonio, TX, Gerry Harris of Duluth, and Sharlene Harris of Big Sandy, MT; and many nieces and nephews.

Marie was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Marjorie (Herb) Nelson; brothers, Mervin, Lauren (Ardy), Ivan, and Glenn; and granddaughter, Lori Klemond.

Burial was in Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

Marie's family extends heartfelt appreciation to those who cared for her in her home over the past 3 years and to the compassionate care recently given by Knute Nelson Hospice.

The family suggests memorials be directed to the Historical Society, or Missions.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 26. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wadena Alliance Church
1428 Jefferson St. S.
Wadena, MN 56482

Visitation

SEP 27. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Wadena Alliance Church
1428 Jefferson St. S.
Wadena, MN 56482

Service

SEP 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

Wadena Alliance Church
1428 Jefferson St. S.
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Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - September 24, 2021 at 08:41 PM

SP

“ *Sandi & Barry Pratt lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Sandi & Barry Pratt - October 28, 2021 at 12:07 AM

MT

“ *Missy Tabery lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Missy Tabery - September 27, 2021 at 09:14 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - September 25, 2021 at 11:52 AM



“ 49 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - September 24, 2021 at 08:37 PM



“ *Myron And Karen Winkelman lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Myron and Karen Winkelman - September 24, 2021 at 03:10 PM

MP

“ *Morris & Karen Priebe lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Morris & Karen Priebe - September 22, 2021 at 11:14 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of L. Marie Harris Folkestad.*



September 21, 2021 at 10:27 PM

SB

“ *Sharon Boline lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Sharon Boline - September 21, 2021 at 03:21 PM

DW

“ *Sending our love and sympathy to the Folkestad family on the death of Marie. Precious memories of our time in Wadena and the kindness shown us by Marie and Roger and the Folkestad family. Dave and Doris Walter*



Dave and Doris Walter - September 21, 2021 at 10:19 AM

LS

“ Craig,
Len and I send heartfelt sympathy to you and your family in the passing of your mother.



Len and Sally Siegler - September 21, 2021 at 01:09 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of L. Marie Harris Folkestad.*



September 20, 2021 at 06:45 PM

SB

“ *Folkestad Families, We are so sorry to see this! Marie was a great lady! Im sure you will all miss her! God Bless her family and her memory! She and Roger did a very good job raising all of you! Our Deepest Sympathies to you all.*

Steve and Linda Babcock - September 20, 2021 at 11:46 AM

MQ

“ *Mike And Liz Quance lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Mike and Liz Quance - September 18, 2021 at 11:27 PM

AP

“ Arleen A. Paulson lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Arleen A. Paulson - September 18, 2021 at 06:05 PM

BH

“ Bob & Donna Haman lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Bob & Donna Haman - September 18, 2021 at 05:34 PM

JJ

“ Memories, how do I share when I have my whole life time of memories . I think of all the times at Grandpa and Grandma's cabin then at your cabin. I think of all the Christmas' we celebrated together. And the Birthdays. And babysitting my cousins. And even remember bits and pieces of your wedding 75 years ago. We all will miss Auntie Marie so much but have the promise of our Precious Lord that we will all be united some day.. "What a Day That will Be". Extra special hugs to each and every one of you !!!!

Chuck and Judy Jones

Judy Jones - September 18, 2021 at 01:41 PM

VI

“ *Our sympathy to all of you.
Scott Jahnke family.*



vicki - September 18, 2021 at 12:45 PM

LJ

“ *Love, Dar Folkestad Jung purchased the Arrive in
Style for the family of L. Marie Harris Folkestad.*



Love, Dar Folkestad Jung - September 18, 2021 at 10:13 AM

MF

“ *Condolences to the Folkestad family in your
loss. ~~~Marie*



marie fraune - September 17, 2021 at 11:29 PM

CR

“ *Roger, you and your family are in my prayers
and thoughts. May your memories and
Marie's love surround you with comfort.*



Cathy Roberts - September 17, 2021 at 11:20 PM

CH

“ Praying for God’s comfort and peace to surround all of you now and in the weeks ahead. With love and friendship, Jim, Cory and family 🙏❤️



Cory Holweg - September 17, 2021 at 09:46 PM

CB

“ My condolences to Roger and family.



Cindy Becker - September 17, 2021 at 05:56 PM

DJ

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



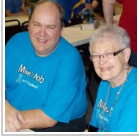
Dar Folkestad Jung - September 17, 2021 at 05:17 PM

GR

“ Greg Resch lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Greg Resch - September 17, 2021 at 05:20 AM



“ *Mike Ortmann lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Mike Ortmann - September 16, 2021 at 10:55 PM



“ *Thinking of and praying for you all in this time of mixed feelings of losing such a lovely woman yet knowing she is in the arms of Jesus.*

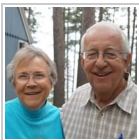
Heather Van Batavia Rohwedder - September 16, 2021 at 08:30 PM



“ *Ruby Lynk lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Ruby Lynk - September 16, 2021 at 07:45 PM



“ *With our sympathy to Roger and all of Marie's Family.*

Marilyn & Luther



Marilyn Nervig - September 16, 2021 at 07:42 PM

SB

“ *Sharon Boline lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Sharon Boline - September 16, 2021 at 07:32 PM

SB

“ *My sympathy to Marie's family.*

Sharon Boline - September 16, 2021 at 07:31 PM

GW

“ *Glen Donna Wood lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Glen Donna Wood - September 16, 2021 at 05:57 PM

BT

“ *Barb Tumberg lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad*



Barb Tumberg - September 16, 2021 at 04:00 PM

JC

“ John And Karen Crandall lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



John and Karen Crandall - September 16, 2021 at 02:30 PM

Linda Stormoen

“ Linda Stormoen sent a virtual gift in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Linda Stormoen - September 16, 2021 at 01:15 PM

DR

“ David & Barb Rousslang lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



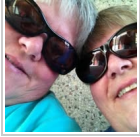
david & barb rousslang - September 16, 2021 at 12:44 PM

LO

“ Lois/Dale lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Lois/Dale - September 16, 2021 at 12:04 PM



“ Rocky Reese lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Rocky Reese - September 16, 2021 at 11:08 AM

DT

“ Thoughts and prayers as you mourn this loss. DonnaTrana -Wanda Marquardt and families

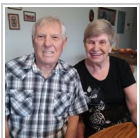
Donna Trana - September 16, 2021 at 09:46 AM

GK

“ Gene & Sandy Kapphahn lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Gene & Sandy Kapphahn - September 16, 2021 at 09:20 AM



“ Gladys Chase lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Gladys Chase - September 16, 2021 at 09:04 AM

AK

“ Al And Holly Knutson lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Al and Holly Knutson - September 16, 2021 at 08:27 AM

JJ

“ Jon & Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Jon & Patty Johnson - September 16, 2021 at 08:09 AM

JS

“ Jim & Tracey Stoneman lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Jim & Tracey Stoneman - September 16, 2021 at 06:10 AM

MS

“ Mike And Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Mike and Lea Snyder - September 15, 2021 at 10:35 PM

SS

“ So sorry for your loss, keeping you all in our prayers at this heartbreaking time. 🙏



Steve and Randi Schmitz - September 15, 2021 at 10:29 PM

DF

“ Condolences to the whole family. So Sorry for your loss!
Prayers and HUGS to the family!!
Dave & Sharon Folkestad



Dave & Sharon Folkestad - September 15, 2021 at 07:46 PM

DO

“ Doug & Joan Ostlund lit a candle in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Doug & Joan Ostlund - September 15, 2021 at 06:51 PM

BB

“ Bruce And Barb Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of L. Marie Harris Folkestad



Bruce and Barb Brown - September 15, 2021 at 06:47 PM