



Marian Fuller

August 30, 1926 - November 14, 2025

The private funeral service celebrating the life of Marian Fuller of Staples and formerly of Verndale, was held at the Balsamlund Lutheran Church near Aldrich. Burial was in Balsamlund Cemetery near Aldrich, MN.

Marian, age 99, passed away on November 14, 2025, at the Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples, MN.

Marian was born to Claus and Mamie (Lindblom) Chilberg on August 30, 1926, at the family home in Bartlett Township, Todd County, MN. She attended country school and later graduated from Staples High School. On September 20, 1946, Marian married Melvin Fuller at the Balsamlund Lutheran Church in rural Aldrich. At the age of 16 she was the church organist and later served as a Sunday School Superintendent and teacher. Marian worked as a teacher's aide and library secretary at Staples Public School. At home she enjoyed sewing and reading her Bible and with a big heart, she welcomed foster children into their home. Having an interest in gardening and flowers she was a member of the local garden club, too. Most of all, she loved spending time with their children and grandkids.

Preceding Marian in death were her parents, Claus and Mamie; husband Melvin (2009); sons, Kevin and Jeffrey; daughter Melanie O'Keefe; sisters: Edna Strand, Ruth Crab, Alice Crosgrove, Inez Olson, Myrtle Pasche, Mildred

Chilberg and Hazel Wiese; and brother, Herman Chilberg.

Remembering Marian will be her son, David (Pam) of Verndale; 9 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren; son-in-law Steve O'Keefe of Staples; along with extended family and friends.

Serving as casket bearers were Kevin Fuller, Michael O'Keefe, Kevin O'Keefe, Seth Auger, Jeff Morris, Josh Chapman and Jonah Chapman.

Cemetery Details

Balsamlund Lutheran Cemetery

19550 490th Street
Aldrich, MN 56434

Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Dixie Murray lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller* ”



Dixie Murray - November 23, 2025 at 06:04 PM

JH

“ *Joe and Diane Hinkle lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller* ”



Joe and Diane Hinkle - November 21, 2025 at 10:02 PM

LB

“ *Lucille A Belch lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller* ”



Lucille A Belch - November 20, 2025 at 12:53 AM

JH

“ *Jay and Deb Hutson lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller* ”



Jay and Deb Hutson - November 19, 2025 at 09:10 AM

SS

“ *Marian and Melvin were very sweet people. I loved having them as neighbors. Rest in Peace.* ”



Sandi Sneed - November 18, 2025 at 10:29 AM

JC

“ *Jim and Janell Carr sent a virtual gift in memory of Marian Fuller* ”



Jim and Janell Carr - November 17, 2025 at 07:22 PM

KT

“ *Karen Treangen sent a virtual gift in memory of Marian Fuller* ”



Karen Treangen - November 17, 2025 at 02:55 PM

FK

“ *Foster daughters Anita & Lois & Koehlers purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Marian Fuller.* ”



Foster daughters Anita & Lois & Koehlers - November 17, 2025 at 01:55 PM

PH

“ Another Bartlett mom has earned her wings. So many memories of the township board meetings, when some of us kids would be allowed to come along. Oh the fun we had! Thoughts and prayers to all of you.

Patsy (Jasmer) Holmquist - November 17, 2025 at 10:25 AM

DW

“ Best piano teacher ever!!! Prayers to Marian's family!



Diane "Norton" Wachlin - November 17, 2025 at 09:45 AM

SP

“ Steve and Nancy Peterson lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller



Steve and Nancy Peterson - November 17, 2025 at 09:23 AM

SC

“ Susan Damlo Carlson lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller



Susan Damlo Carlson - November 17, 2025 at 06:14 AM



“ I was very sorry to hear about Marion passing. Although I did not know Marian, many of the congregation members at Balsamlund have shared with memories of her. Prayers for her family. Janet Eckman Synod Approved Minister serving Balsamlund in Aldrich and Our Saviour's in Sebeka.

Janet Eckman - November 16, 2025 at 09:05 PM

JK

“ Julie & Norman Krause lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller



Julie & Norman Krause - November 16, 2025 at 03:59 PM

EF

“ Esther and Alan Freitag lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller



Esther and Alan Freitag - November 16, 2025 at 12:59 PM

NB

“ Sending prayers and hugs to all. Aunt Marian was a special Aunt. Will never forget the Sunday dinners at their house or ours. We had so much fun as we were growing up. She would make sure everyone had something to eat. RIP Aunt Marian the last of the Chilberg family siblings. She was a great Sunday School teacher and very active in the Church playing the organ, Ladies Aid, Quilting, and much much more.

Neal & Leona Bowman - November 15, 2025 at 07:49 PM

NB

“ Neal & Leona Bowman lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller



Neal & Leona Bowman - November 15, 2025 at 07:45 PM

DP

“ Dennis & Karen Peterson lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller



Dennis & Karen Peterson - November 15, 2025 at 07:21 PM

SW

“ Memories of Marian will be with me always. Much love and condolences to the whole family.



Sally Siegler of Wadena - November 15, 2025 at 06:41 PM

RK

“ Rich & Mavis Kendall lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller



Rich & Mavis Kendall - November 15, 2025 at 04:08 PM

MA

“ *Makenna Anderson lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller*



Makenna Anderson - November 15, 2025 at 02:16 PM

JJ

“ *Jon and Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory of Marian Fuller*



Jon and Patty Johnson - November 15, 2025 at 01:39 PM