



## Marlys Johnson

August 22, 1926 - March 30, 2014

The funeral service for Helen “Marlys” Johnson, of Wadena, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 3, 2014, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena, with Pastor Nate Loer officiating. Friends may call on Wednesday at the Johnson-Schuller Chapel in Wadena from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. and at the church on Thursday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service. Surrounded by her loving family, Marlys passed away on Sunday, March 30, 2014 at Fair Oaks Lodge in Wadena. She was 87 years old.

Marlys was born to Henry and Chisteen (Kjos) Friskop on August 22, 1926, in Wyndmere Township, Richland County, ND. After graduating from Wyndmere High School in 1945, she continued her education with formal nurses training at Mercy Hospital in Valley City, before completing her training for a year at St. Mary’s Hospital in Minneapolis in 1948. She was then employed at St. Luke’s Hospital in Fargo, ND.

Marlys married C. Jerome “Jerry” Johnson on June 3, 1951, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in DeLamere, ND. They lived in Waconia, MN, moved to Fergus Falls in 1952, and settled in Wadena in 1957. She worked as an RN in Staples and later in Wadena at Wesley Hospital, now Tri-county Hospital, and retired in April 1982. Marlys enjoyed fishing with Jerry, and she loved to bake, play Ladies Day golf in Wadena along with Friday afternoon golfing at Balmoral in Ottertail. She looked forward to playing cards with family & friends

and members of the Niblick Card Club. Marlys was an avid fan of the Minnesota Twins baseball and Vikings football teams. She found time to participate as a member of the VFW Auxiliary, Immanuel Lutheran Church and church women's group. She especially enjoyed the annual gathering in Valley City, ND, with her classmates from nurses training.

Marlys was preceded in death by her husband Jerry July 5, 2003; parents Henry and Chisteen; and brothers Chester, Merlin, Arvid, Harold and an infant brother.

She is survived by her sons Henry (Pat), Jon (Pat) both of Wadena and Tim (Jennell) of Silver Lake; daughter Cheryl (Mike) Kopacz of Hartford, WI; grandchildren Andrew, Molly, Scott, Angie, Alissa, Katie, Aaron and Samantha; step-great-grandson Devin and great-grandson Nolan; sister Gladys Deike of Breckenridge; sisters-in-law Dorothy Friskop and LaMae Friskop both of Fargo, ND; along with a host of friends.

Pallbearers will be all of her grandchildren.

Burial will be next to her husband in Wadena Cemetery.

The family has designated Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena and Children's Grief Connection, 72351 Pine River Road, Willow River, MN 55795, for memorials.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 2. 4:00 AM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

APR 3. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

## Service

APR 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (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 Marlys Johnson*



**Schuller Family Funeral Homes** - March 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ *Myron And Karen Winkelman lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson*



**Myron and Karen Winkelman** - April 03, 2014 at 06:39 PM

VC

“ *My deepest sympathy, thoughts and prayers to all of you. May the memories and times spent with your beautiful Mom give you comfort and strength.*  
*Dave and Vicki (Theisen) Chesney*



**Vicki (Theisen) Chesney** - April 03, 2014 at 11:29 AM

AD

“ Audrey Davis lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Audrey Davis - April 02, 2014 at 09:03 PM

D(

“ Debra Dague (Peters) lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Debra Dague (Peters) - April 02, 2014 at 03:12 PM

KS

“ Our heartfelt sympathy to all of you.  
Karen Schumacher, Josh, Mandy and family,  
Erin and family



Karen Schumacher - April 02, 2014 at 10:26 AM

ST

“ Sue Theisen lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Sue Theisen - April 02, 2014 at 08:48 AM

MC

“ *Jon and Henry,  
I am sorry to hear of your mom's passing. My thoughts and prayers  
are with you during this difficult time. Mike Cudmore*

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**Michael Cudmore** - April 02, 2014 at 07:12 AM

MV

“ *Margaret & Peter VanErp lit a candle in  
memory of Marlys Johnson*



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**Margaret & Peter VanErp** - April 01, 2014 at 07:55 PM

TJ

“ *Henry, Jon, and rest of family. Our condolences to you all. Tim and  
Karen Johnson, Little Falls, MN*

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**Tim Johnson** - April 01, 2014 at 05:21 PM

RA

“ *Rita Anderson lit a candle in memory of  
Marlys Johnson*



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**Rita Anderson** - April 01, 2014 at 04:17 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marlys Johnson.*



April 01, 2014 at 11:25 AM



“ *Sue And Ken Peterson lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson*



**Sue and Ken Peterson** - April 01, 2014 at 10:48 AM



*In our hearts Jon and Pat*

**Sue and Ken Peterson** - April 01, 2014 at 10:49 AM



“ *Dear Henry and Jon, I offer my condolences to you on the death of your mother. It was a blessing to have her for these many years. Sincerely, Jim Abbott*

**Jim Abbott** - April 01, 2014 at 10:45 AM



“ *Jim & Tracey Stoneman lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson*



**Jim & Tracey Stoneman** - April 01, 2014 at 05:15 AM

JB

“ Jack And Lucille Belch lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Jack and Lucille Belch - March 31, 2014 at 10:52 PM

PL

“ Pat Lorentz lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Pat Lorentz - March 31, 2014 at 09:35 PM

DS

“ Dan And Deb Sweere lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Dan and Deb Sweere - March 31, 2014 at 07:40 PM

TQ

“ Tim & Kim Quincer lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Tim & Kim Quincer - March 31, 2014 at 04:19 PM

RY

“ Rick & Linda Youngbauer lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Rick & Linda Youngbauer - March 31, 2014 at 12:08 PM

AK

“ Amy Kleinke lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Amy Kleinke - March 31, 2014 at 10:27 AM

LB

“ Lorraine Boyd lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Lorraine Boyd - March 31, 2014 at 09:11 AM

MT

“ Missy And Marcy Tabery lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



Missy and Marcy Tabery - March 31, 2014 at 07:37 AM

MS

“ Mike And Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



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**Mike and Lea Snyder** - March 31, 2014 at 06:38 AM

JB

“ Jim And Lorie Baron lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



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**Jim and Lorie Baron** - March 30, 2014 at 09:31 PM

MF

“ Mike And Marie Fraune lit a candle in memory of Marlys Johnson



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**Mike and Marie Fraune** - March 30, 2014 at 06:42 PM