

*Marie Lunders*, 96, of Faulkton and formerly of Hoven, passed away Sunday, August 20, 2017 at Faulkton Senior Living.

Marie Katherine Abernathy was born September 21, 1920 at Gann Valley, SD to Mark and Mildred (Schenegge) Abernathy.

Marie married Florian Lunders in Pierre, SD on August 21, 1941. She attended Saint Mary's School of Nursing in Pierre, SD and was a registered nurse where she was much loved by the staff and patients of Holy Infant Hospital. Marie loved square dancing, playing bridge and pinochle, and cheering on the Minnesota Twins. In her later years, she enjoyed playing SkipBo, Bingo, and 6,5,4 with friends and family at Faulkton Senior Living. She also enjoyed keeping in touch with family and friends through Facebook. Visits from family and friends always brightened her day. She loved crocheting and crocheted afghans for all her generations of grandchildren. She will be remembered for her spunky and very feisty personality.

Grateful for having shared in her life are her daughters: Rosalie (Richard) Vogel, Faulkton, Lexi (Frank) Sack, Ft. Pierre, Margie (Bob) Colburn, Ocoee, FL, and Becky (Myron) Denny, Rapid City; brothers: Jerry (Liz) Abernathy, Groton, Larry (Arlys) Abernathy, Chamberlain, and Mike (Yvette) Abernathy, Wichita, KS; thirteen grandchildren; twenty-two great grandchildren; and five great-great grandchildren.

Marie was preceded in death by her husband, Florian; parents, Mark and Mildred Abernathy; four sisters; three brothers; one son-in-law, Frank Sack; two grandchildren: Bobby Colburn and Shawn Sack; and one grandson-in-law, Shawn Nikolas.

The family would like to thank all the caregivers and staff at Faulkton Senior Living for the loving care Marie received while living there.



*In Loving Memory Of*  
*Marie Katherine Lunders*

*1920 - 2017*

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September 21, 1920                      August 20, 2017  
Gann Valley, South Dakota              Faulkton, South Dakota

*God saw she was getting tired  
And a cure was not to be,  
So He put His arms around her  
And whispered "Come with me."*

*With tearful eyes  
We watched her suffer  
And saw her fade away  
Although we loved her dearly,  
We would not make her stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating,  
Hard working hands to rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us  
He only takes the best.*

Arrangements Entrusted to  
Luce Funeral Home - Faulkton, South Dakota  
"Providing Comfort to Families"  
[www.familyfuneralhome.net](http://www.familyfuneralhome.net)

**WAKE SERVICE:**

7:00 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2017  
St. Thomas the Apostle Church ~ Faulkton, South Dakota

**MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:**

10:30 a.m., Saturday, August 26, 2017  
St. Thomas the Apostle Church ~ Faulkton, South Dakota

**CELEBRANT:** Father Christopher Hughes

**LECTORS:** Kris Vogel and Jerry Brickner

**OFFERTORY:**

Kathy Vogel, Patty Vogel, Kari Haberling, Kim Goebel

**GUESTBOOK:** Megan Haberling

**ALTAR SERVER:** Frank Sack

**HONORARY BEARERS:**

Kenneth Vogel, Kris Vogel, Kevin Vogel, Mark Haberling,  
Kurt Vogel, Mike Goebel, Jason Buechler

**ORGANIST:** Linda Bartholomew

**VOCALIST:** Jerry Bowar

**HYMNS:**

"On Eagle's Wings"    "How Great Thou Art"  
"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"  
"Ave Maria"    "All is Well With My Soul"

**INURNMENT:**

St. Anthony's Cemetery ~ Hoven, South Dakota

**\*Following the service, please join the family  
for lunch in the church basement.**