

In Loving Memory Of
Elizabeth Schlechter

January 15, 1934

Wanblee, South Dakota

May 29, 2023

Faulkton, South Dakota

WAKE SERVICE:

7:00 p.m., Thursday, June 1, 2023

St. Liborius Catholic Church ~ Polo, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

10:30 a.m., Friday, June 2, 2023

St. Liborius Catholic Church ~ Polo, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Fr. Randy Phillips

LECTOR: Taylor Schlechter

OFFERTORY: Taylor DeBoer and Brianna Dinger

EUCARISTIC MINISTER: Callie Schlechter

MASS SERVERS: Sean Roseland and Hadley Edgar

CASKET BEARERS: Tyler Schlechter, Trever Schlechter, Jace Schlechter, Alex Schlechter, Rod Schlechter, Ryan Schlechter, and Brianna Dianger

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS:

All of Betty's Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

MUSICIANS: Trixie Schlechter and Ken Schaefer

HYMNS:

"Amazing Grace" "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
"Be Not Afraid" "Song of Farewell"
"On Eagle's Wings"

INTERMENT:

Mount Calvary Cemetery
Polo, South Dakota

Memories

Bring comfort to my heart I pray,
dear, dear friend.
She understood and loved me,
With a love that will not end.
I'll carry it within me,
And give it all away.
To each of my own children,
As I live with them each day.
And when my years have been fulfilled,
My time on earth is gone,
The love she richly gave to me,
Will still be living on.

Elizabeth "Betty" Schlechter was born at home on the Headlee Ranch, South Dakota on January 15, 1934, to Philip and Mary (Maloney) Wernsmann. Betty attended St. Liborius Grade School and graduated from Fairview High School.

On November 26, 1955, she married Corliss Schlechter at St Liborius Catholic Church in Polo, South Dakota. To this union, they were blessed with seven children: Charles, Daniel, Tim, Dean, Corey, Kevin, and Lorie. Betty spent most of her days on the farm west of Polo. Following the death of her husband, she spent some time in Wisconsin with her son, Dan, and his family. Betty then resided in an apartment in Miller, Lakeview Assisted Living in Redfield and The Meadows in Faulkton, before moving to the Faulkton Senior Living.

While on the farm, Betty could be seen walking the two and three quarters mile to town to enjoy a cold coke and get a pack of cigarettes. She enjoyed spending time with friends and family during gatherings, camping trips and family celebrations at the shop. She loved taking drives in the country during planting and harvest season. She also enjoyed bingo, playing 6-5-4 dice, and participating in other activities and special events at the assisted living and nursing home. She would enjoy special lunch dates to Dairy Queen with special friend, Karen Pedigo, and daughter-in-law, Stephanie.

Survivors include sons: Dan (Lisa) Schlechter of Centuria, WI, Tim (Betty) Schlechter of Huron, SD, Dean (Stephanie) Schlechter of Faulkton, SD, Corey Schlechter of Sioux Falls, SD; Kevin (Sandy) Schlechter of Pipestone, MN; daughter, Lorie (Wendall) Schlechter of McVille, ND; grandchildren and great grandchildren: Evan, Alex, Jace (Rachel Nelson), Abby (Erik Strand) and Aubrey, Taylor, Callie, Breana (Greg) Ritter and Joseph, Joshua and Joanna, Cory (Bobbi) Young and Bryson and Nicholas, and Erin Kravik, Tyler (Taylor) Schlechter and Trever, Rodney (Muranda) Schlechter and Karstyn and Emerie, Ryan (Miranda) Schlechter and Raynor, Waylan and Hayden Sprague, Rachel (Nathan) Rohrbach and Markus, and Robin Schlechter; Nicole Dinger (Tyler), Casey Dinger and Brooks, Abel and Stetson Schumacher, Amanda Dinger (Nathan) and Brianna Dinger (Brendon).

Betty is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Corliss Schlechter in 2004; son, Charles "Chuck" Schlechter; great granddaughter, Ava Schlechter; brothers: James, Edward (Charlotte), Phil (Sally), Ralph (Geraldine), and Bernard; sisters: Marie (Wayne) Mattson, Mildred "Sister Marina" Wernsmann, Lucille (Alvin) Anglin, Dorothy (Edmund) Zens and Kathryn (Maurice) Schlechter.

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