

## *I'm Free*

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God has laid for me.  
I took his hand when I heard his call;  
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way.  
I found peace at the close of the day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with time of sorrow.  
For I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life has been full, I savored much,  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your hearts, and peace to thee,  
God wanted me now so he set me free.*



*In Memory Of  
Janice Rae Arbogast*

**JUNE 3, 1944 - MARCH 22, 2026**

Janice Arbogast, 81, of Miller, went to her heavenly home on Sunday, March 22, 2026, at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls.

Janice Rae was born on June 3, 1944, at St. John's Hospital in Huron, South Dakota, to Metsel and Viola Faye (Dague) Zerfoss. She grew up on a farm in Whiteside Township and attended Whiteside School through the eighth grade. She later attended and graduated from Wolsey High School.

Janice loved to dance and met her future husband, Larry, at a dance in Wessington. They were united in marriage on June 9, 1962, at Wolsey Presbyterian Church. To this union were born their pride and joy—their son, Roger, and daughters, Tamara and Angela.

Faith was an important part of Janice's life. Two important events occurred in her faith life. As a young girl, she accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior while attending a missionary Bible school at Whiteside School. At the age of 17, she and her father, Metsel, were baptized together at Wolsey Presbyterian Church.

Janice was a devoted homemaker who took great pride in raising her family. She also assisted her husband with bookkeeping for his business, which began in 1966, and later worked as a janitor for American Bank & Trust for 22½ years.

In her free time, Janice enjoyed tending to her flower garden, crafting, quilting, and decorating her home. Above all, she cherished spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, whom she loved to spoil.

She is survived by her husband, Larry; son, Roger (Jill) Arbogast; daughters, Tammy (John) Buszko and Angi (Jay Haase) Arbogast; grandchildren: Caitie (Levi) Fawcett, Austin (Tori) Arbogast, Karsen Arbogast, Emily (Bert Nash) Heezen, Naomi Buszko, and Niah Buszko; great grandchildren: Ashton, Madison, Talan, Tabor, Kora, Berkley, Emerson, Hunter, Zoey, and Jake; brother, Neil (Jackie) Zerfoss; sister, Lynette Hopkins; and sister-in-law, Janelle Zerfoss; along with a host of nieces and nephews.

Greeting her at Heaven's gates are her parents; brothers: Roger, Jerold, and David; grandson, Dustin Heezen; son-in-law, Brian Heezen; brothers-in-law, Michael Hopkins and Jerry Lehnherr; and sisters-in-law, Derla Lehnherr and Joyce Zerfoss.

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**JUNE 3, 1944**  
**HURON, SOUTH DAKOTA**

**MARCH 22, 2026**  
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## **PRAYER SERVICE**

7:00 p.m., Thursday, March 26, 2026  
First Presbyterian Church  
Miller, South Dakota

## **FUNERAL SERVICE**

10:30 a.m., Friday, March 27, 2026  
First Presbyterian Church  
Miller, South Dakota

## **CLERGY**

Pastor Robert Brooks

## **CASKETBEARERS**

Dave Johnson - John Fanning  
John Smith - Rick Norton  
Levi Fawcett - Joe Shaw

## **MUSICAL SELECTIONS**

“How Great Thou Art” - *Congregational*  
“I Will Always Love You” - *Whitney Houston*  
“Hallelujah” - *Leonard Cohen*  
“Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain” - *Willie Nelson*

## **ORGANIST**

Collin Otteson

## **BURIAL**

G.A.R. Cemetery  
Miller, South Dakota

*The family warmly invites you to join them following the burial for lunch and continued fellowship at the church.*