

Janice Marie (Smith) Walen, age 87, of Glenfield, ND, died Monday, July 29, 2024, at the Sunset Drive Home in Mandan, ND.

Janice and her twin brother, Jerry, were born July 18, 1937, in Mabel Township, Griggs Co, ND, to Henry & Annie (Bultema) Smith. She was raised on the farm near Sutton with her siblings: Geneva, Thelma, Eileen, Richard, Pat, and Jerry. Janice and Jerry did trick horse riding. Janice and Jerry were both students of the last class at Sutton School before it was a co-op with Glenfield.



She met the love of her life, Leander Walen, on a blind date, and shortly after they were married on June 10, 1956. They made their home on the Walen family farm near Glenfield, ND. They had 3 children: Charles, Leanne, and Dennis.

Friends and relatives swarmed to her home on a regular basis to enjoy her delicious cooking and baking. Everyone loved her many pies. Several favorites are the Strawberry-Rhubarb or the Peach-Blueberry pies. She filled her free time with crocheting, knitting, macramé, and reading. Janice custom-made at least one crocheted blanket for every one of her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by her three children, Chuck (Joy) Walen of New Town, Leanne (Kevin) Revier of Courtenay, and Dennis (Fran) Walen of Sutton; a sister, Pat Rickford of Green Bay WI; sisters-in-law, Elaine Smith of Cooperstown, Dorris Smith of Plymouth, MN, and Margrethe Milton of Detroit, MI; 15 Grandchildren; 28 Great-Grandchildren; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Henry & Annie Smith; her husband, Leander; two brothers, Richard and her twin brother Jerry; three sisters, Geneva Klinge, Thelma Wright and Eileen Johnson.

*In
Loving
Memory*



*Janice
Marie
Walen*

JULY 18, 1937 - JULY 29, 2024

A Mother's Love

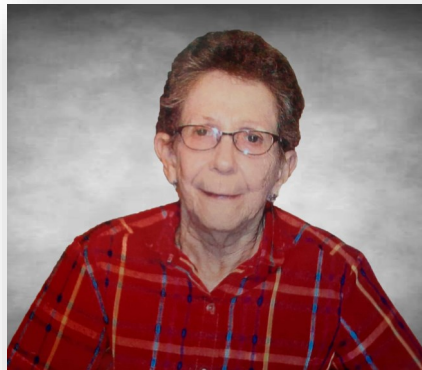
*A Mother's Love is something
That no one can explain,
It is made of deep devotion
And of sacrifice and pain.
It is endless and unselfish
And enduring come what may,
For nothing can destroy it
Or take that love away.*



*It is patient and forgiving
When all others are forsaking,
And it never fails or falters even
Though the heart is breaking.
It believes beyond believing when
The world around condemns,
And it glows with all the beauty
Of the rarest brightest gems.*

*It is far beyond defining
It defies all explanation.
And it still remains a secret
Like the mysteries of creation,
A many splendored miracle
Man cannot understand.
Another wonderous evidence
Of God's tender guiding hand.*

-Helen Steiner Rice



Celebrating A Life Well Lived

Janice Marie Walen

July 18, 1937 – Cooperstown, ND

July 29, 2024 – Mandan, ND

GRAVESIDE SERVICE

Thursday, August 1, 2024
10:00AM

Glenfield Cemetery, Glenfield, ND

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Thursday, August 1, 2024

Following Graveside Service

Glenfield Community Center, Glenfield, ND

OFFICIATING

Chuck Walen

SPECIAL MUSIC

Janice's Granddaughter's & Great-Granddaughter's

In the Garden ~ Amazing Grace

PALLBEARERS

Jeremy Neuharth ~ Trevor Neuharth ~ Kevin Revier

Seth Revier ~ Robert Sawyer ~ Jordan Kannianen

BURIAL

Glenfield Cemetery

Glenfield, ND

Arrangements by

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