



## Berniece Elaine Marie Botner

December 10, 1928 - October 29, 2024

Berniece's funeral service is livestreamed at <https://vimeo.com/1025775150?share=copy>

Berniece Elaine Marie Botner, 95, Valley City, ND formerly of Litchville, ND, passed on to be with her heavenly Father October 29, 2024. Visitation will be 5:30 pm to 7 pm, Friday, November 1 at the Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City with a prayer service at 6 pm. The funeral service will be 3 pm Saturday, November 2 at the First Lutheran Church, Litchville. Visitation will be one hour before the service at the church. Burial will be in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, Litchville.

Berniece Elaine Marie Bubach was born December 10, 1928, at home to Herbert and Clara (Lebahn) Bubach. She was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church at Griswold. She attended High School at Litchville and graduated in 1946. After graduation, Berniece taught country school in Prairie Township and in Conway, ND. She attended college in Valley City in 1952.

She was united in marriage to Byron Botner on June 21, 1949, at Trinity Lutheran Church. They had 5 children... Lynette, Gary, Joey, Bradley and Scott. She stayed home to care for the children until 1967 when she returned to the workforce and became a teacher's aide and bus driver for the Litchville district. Berniece loved working with kids of all ages. She retired in 2006 and

because of Byron's poor health, they moved to Valley City.

After retirement, Berniece became a quilter... making Granny quilts. She made quilts for family, for new babies, graduations and weddings, also for relatives, friends and mission projects. She played many games of pinochle, whist and bingo. Berniece loved every bit of all the things she managed to do!!

Berniece is survived by her children, Lynette (Jeff) Meiers, Ross, ND; Gary (Bernadette), Valley City; Joey (Nancy), Litchville; Bradley (Lori), Litchville; Scott (Arlene), Jamestown; a brother Selmer, Valley City; sisters-in-law, Darlene Bubach, Colorado; and Bonnie Bubach, Minnesota; grandchildren, Angela (Cole) Garrison, Minot, ND; Kelly (Tanner) Sandstrom, New Town, ND; Lindsey (Josh) Moe, New Town; Brianna (Kelley) Meiers, Stanley, ND; Brandon Botner, Fargo, ND; Paul (Lisa) Johnson, Valley City; Heather Johnson, York, SC; Ryan (Amanda) Botner, Washburn, ND; Lacey (Randy) Klein, Buffalo, ND; Kelsey Botner, Valley City; Jenna (Louis) Kluting, Fargo; JoAnn (Corey) Rood, Casselton, ND; twenty-two great-grandchildren, Arley and Boden Garrison; Kace and Sloane Sandstrom; Liam and Madison Lizotte and Jack Moe; Dylan and Jerzee Johnson; Will, Sebastian, Lucy, Gianna, Ada Beth and Joelle Botner; Olivia, Mila and Jocelyn Rood; Finley and Rowdy Klein; Roman Kolina; Hayden Kluting. Many Nieces and Nephews.

Don't cry because I'm gone, Smile because I lived!!

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel. An online guestbook is available at [www.olivernathanchapel.com](http://www.olivernathanchapel.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Trinity Lutheran Cemetery

Litchville, ND

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 1. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Traditions Funeral Services - Oliver Nathan Funeral Chapel  
251 Central Ave. S.  
Valley City, ND 58072  
(701) 845-2414  
o-nchapel@bektel.com

## Prayer Service

NOV 1. 6:00 PM (CT)

Traditions Funeral Services - Oliver Nathan Funeral Chapel  
251 Central Ave. S.  
Valley City, ND 58072  
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## Visitation

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NOV 2. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

First Lutheran Church  
506 5th St.  
Litchville, ND

## Funeral Service

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NOV 2. 3:00 PM (CT)

First Lutheran Church  
506 5th St.  
Litchville, ND

# Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - November 02, 2024 at 02:19 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.

October 31, 2024 at 08:47 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.



October 31, 2024 at 08:47 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.



October 31, 2024 at 08:10 PM



“ *Duane & Cindy Formo* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.

Duane & Cindy Formo - October 31, 2024 at 07:52 PM

DF

“ Duane & Cindy Formo purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.



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**Duane & Cindy Formo** - October 31, 2024 at 07:52 PM

KF

“ Kevin and Chris Svaleson and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.

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**Kevin and Chris Svaleson and family** - October 31, 2024 at 03:14 PM

KF

“ Kevin and Chris Svaleson and family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.



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**Kevin and Chris Svaleson and family** - October 31, 2024 at 03:14 PM

JS

“ Judy Sterling purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.



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**Judy Sterling** - October 31, 2024 at 02:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.*



October 31, 2024 at 01:06 PM



“ *Such a wonderful lady. I remember all the talks we had in the teacher's lounge in Litchville. She kept this young teacher and coach on the straight and arrow.*

**Scott Halvorson** - October 31, 2024 at 12:58 PM



*I meant narrow.*

**Scott Halvorson** - October 31, 2024 at 12:59 PM



“ *Troy Meiers and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.*

**Troy Meiers and family** - October 31, 2024 at 11:27 AM



“ *Troy Meiers and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.*



**Troy Meiers and family** - October 31, 2024 at 11:27 AM

KH

“ Kim Hulm planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.

Kim Hulm - October 31, 2024 at 11:14 AM

KH

“ Kim Hulm purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.



Kim Hulm - October 31, 2024 at 11:14 AM

RM

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Botner families. Berniece was a very special lady. I remember her driving the school bus to swim lessons and then she drove the swim bus for our oldest daughter. On one particular occasion, I went to the college to watch Courtenay at swim lessons and both Berniece and I were sitting on the floor watching from above. When the kids were finished, I got up and extended my hand to help her up and she refused help and said she wasn't that old yet that she needed help! When I told my siblings of her passing, I said that I know the Botner families hearts are sad, but I'm sure our Mom was happy to see a old great friend.

Darren and Robin Miedema

Robin Miedema - October 31, 2024 at 10:33 AM

LA

We will all miss Bernice!

Linda Johnson Almas - October 31, 2024 at 11:21 AM

VR

“ We were so sorry to hear of Berniece's passing. We got to know her at pinochle at the Eagles. She was such a sweet lady and so much fun to visit with. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Steve and Vickie Ross

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**Vickie and Steve Ross** - October 30, 2024 at 11:36 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.

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October 30, 2024 at 10:08 PM

JF

“ Jeff Meiers Family purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Berniece Elaine Marie Botner.



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**Jeff Meiers Family** - October 30, 2024 at 09:19 PM