



Florence Marie Retterath

February 21, 1925 - January 30, 2023

Florence's service will be livestreamed at <https://vimeo.com/event/2843370>

Florence Marie Retterath, 97, died peacefully in her sleep on Monday, January 30 at SMP Health-St. Raphael, Valley City, North Dakota. Florence was born on February 21, 1925 in Devils Lake, North Dakota. She was the daughter of Arthur and Eva (Zetler) Miller. She married Wesley Howard Retterath on August 30, 1945. They lived in Lawton, Page and Valley City. Florence was a long time member of St. Catherine's Church. She was a tremendous cook, known for her banana cream pie and homemade caramel rolls. She enjoyed reading, playing cards, gardening, her time on the dance floor with Wesley and spending time with family. Later in life, she worked at Foss Drug using her talents to please more people with her baking. Florence showed compassion to others when they were in need of care in their homes.

Florence is survived by her children, Betty (Ted) Johnson, Battle Lake, Minnesota, David (Donna), Dilworth, Minnesota, James (Gayle), Valley City, North Dakota, Gary (Connie), Valley City, North Dakota, Robert (Linda), Green Bay, Wisconsin, Michael, Valley City, Nancy (Dan) VanBruggen, Big Lake, Minnesota and Mareva (Jeff) Kammeyer, Dalton Gardens, Idaho, 20 grandchildren, and 36 great grandchildren.

Florence is preceded in death by her husband Wesley, her five brothers, her grandson Troy Johnson, and her great grandson Tate Warpinski.

Memorial suggestions are Hospice of the Red River Valley, or the chapel at SMP Health-St. Raphael.

The funeral mass will be held 11:00 am Monday, February 6, 2023, at St. Catherine's Church, Valley City, North Dakota, with visitation prior at 10am. Interment will be later in the spring at St. Catherine Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City.

Cemetery Details

St. Catherine Cemetery

Valley City, ND

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Catherine Catholic Church
540 3rd Ave. NE
Valley City, ND

A family member is extremely allergic to flowers. Please consider a memorial donation. Thank you.

Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall

EL

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Edith Lueke - February 23, 2023 at 02:03 AM

PD

“ Sincere Sympathy to your family. I only saw her in the hall at SMP in non-covid days. I just scrolled down the family entries ..what a very nice idea for family to write messages what a wonderful tribute! May memories be a comfort to your families !

Phyllis Otterness and DeanOtterness - February 07, 2023 at 01:09 PM

RW

“ I always enjoyed visiting the Retterath farm as a kid, we had so much fun scaring the turkeys until they came after us. Betty could really heckel them! Aunt Florence was always really nice to us. I loved her so much, she will be greatly missed. I give thanks for her wonderful family. Rest in the hands of God. Will be coming to funeral on Monday./Rose and Denny

rose windjue - February 04, 2023 at 10:03 PM

MV

“ So sorry to hear of Florence’s passing. She was a very nice lady. She will be missed by all who were fortunate enough to have known her. Our prayers and sympathies to her family. Mike and Kathy Vandrovec

Mike and Kathy Vandrovec - February 04, 2023 at 12:00 PM



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February 03, 2023 at 06:06 PM

AL

“ My sympathy to all of the Retterath family.

Ann Lockwood - February 03, 2023 at 04:06 PM

TK

“ Nancy, Dan and all of the Retterath Family: The VCHS Class of '77 holds you all up in prayer! We know you are celebrating the life of a wonderful lady and yet you are missing her dearly! Florence and Wes left the most wonderful legacy in their children. Growing up and living in a small community so many of us are intertwined with the the Retterath "kids" and we blessed to call many of you friends. God's Peace to you All! Love. Virgil and Tami (Hill) Kratz

Tami Kratz - February 02, 2023 at 09:35 PM

AG

“ Condolences to Florence's family. We remember Florence and Wesley as our neighbors on fourth street. They were kind and friendly and they were great to live next to. May the comfort of the Lord be real to you as you remember her. Leona and Allan Gerber

Allan and Leona Gerber - February 02, 2023 at 09:11 PM

ND

“ Mom, you were a tremendous women who always welcomed everyone with love, smiles and hospitality. Thank you for teaching me to be kind, generous and hard working. I will miss you but I smile knowing you are with Jesus

Nancy Van Bruggen. daughter - February 02, 2023 at 08:50 AM

DB

“ I will truly miss my “favorite” Mother-in-law!!! I have so many wonderful memories of meals that she prepared, games that we played, and smiles and laughter that we shared! She genuinely loved the Lord and all of her family and friends!! What a special gal! I will miss her... but I will see her again one day in heaven!!

Dan Van Bruggen - February 02, 2023 at 08:47 AM

JL

“ One of my earliest memories is playing cards/dice with Grandma while eating the mashed-up strawberries that she had prepared for me. Every time I play Yahtzee or ten-thousand I'll think of her and smile :)

Love Jonathon

Jonathon Latorre - February 01, 2023 at 11:56 PM

JG

“ Condolences to all of you on the loss of this wonderful lady. I have so many good memories of spending time at your house growing up in the Sheyenne Valley. Both your mom and dad were great people.

Jaci Gately - February 01, 2023 at 05:38 PM

MA

Thanks Jaci

Mareva - February 01, 2023 at 08:13 PM

LM

We are so sorry for your loss. We're unable to attend services as we are currently in Georgia. She lived a wonderful long life. Thoughts and prayers. Larry and Ida Miller.

Larry Miller - February 04, 2023 at 09:35 AM

DB

“ Grandma Florence was such a special person. She was so sweet and kind to everyone. I remember her love for playing games and her astounding memory of everyone's birthdays! I miss you Grandma

Dana Bullock - February 01, 2023 at 04:50 PM

KB

Florence you were a wonderful person many memories of your whole family thoughts and prayers for your family kathy Brobst

Kathy Brobst - February 08, 2023 at 01:15 PM

KA

“ Dear Retterrath family: My sympathy to your family in your loss. She was a sweet lady. Treasure the memories and the years you had her.

Kaye(Tait)Brizer - February 01, 2023 at 03:44 PM

KL

“ I'm sorry for your loss. I had worked with Florence at Foss Drug, a tremendous baker.



Kari Lyon - February 01, 2023 at 02:47 PM

KB

“ Grandma Florence touched the lives of so many people. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. She was great at card games. I'm thankful I got to see her on our trips to Valley City.

Kelly Van Bruggen - February 01, 2023 at 02:46 PM

AM

“ I always remember eating pickled beets at her house and her freezer always had dreamsicles.

alexis manning - February 01, 2023 at 02:21 PM

MB

“ Grandma Florence was such a selfless, kind, person. The breadth of her influence with her 8 children, grandkids, great grandkids, etc. is so admirable. I'll miss you Grandma.

Mitch Van Bruggen - February 01, 2023 at 01:40 PM

GH

“ Sorry for your loss

Guy Huus - February 01, 2023 at 01:05 PM

HD

“ *I already miss you Mom. Mareva*

Her daughter - February 01, 2023 at 12:10 PM

JG

Hugs to you Mareva.

Jaci Gately - February 01, 2023 at 05:35 PM

SH

God Bless all of Florence and Wesley's family and descendants. They loved with huge hearts. And that love extended far and wide.

Susan Hoffert - February 01, 2023 at 06:29 PM



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January 31, 2023 at 06:22 PM