



LaFaye "Faye" Krenz

July 31, 1935 - September 12, 2021

LaFaye Krenz, 96, Valley City, ND formerly Litchville, ND passed away peacefully on Sunday, September 12, 2021 at Bethany on University, Fargo, ND.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held 2:00pm, Friday, September 17th at Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City with visitation one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in St. John's Cemetery, Marion, ND.

LaFaye Virginia Krenz was born on July 31, 1925 in Marion, ND. She was raised on a farm south of Marion and attended elementary through high school in Marion. Upon graduation, she attended Jamestown College as World War II was ongoing and earned a teaching certificate. Faye taught 3rd grade in Oakes, ND for several years.

LaFaye married Vernon Krenz of rural Litchville on November 15, 1947 and retired from teaching to become a full time farm wife and mother. Faye had a love of music and a gift of being able to share it. She played piano and organ at St. John's Lutheran Church in rural Marion and later at First Lutheran Church in Litchville until the arthritis in her hands made it too difficult for her to continue. Faye was also active in the ladies aid and other church activities. She was a strong independent woman continuing to live on the farm for 21 years after she lost her husband Vernon in 1998. It was only after she lost her oldest son Les in 2019, shortly before she turned 94, that she knew it was

time to move off the farm. Faye lived at The Legacy Place in Valley City for just over two years until her health declined and she needed more care.

LaFaye is survived by her three children: daughter, Jan Krenz of Fargo, son James (Candace) Krenz of Hazen, ND and son Michael Krenz of Seattle, WA; grandchildren Andrew Krenz of Kildeer, ND, Krystal Krenz of Bismarck, ND, Josh (Vicki) Krenz of West Fargo, ND, Cassie (Rod) Kramer of LaMoure, ND and six great grandchildren.

LaFaye was preceded in death by her parents, Acy and Esther (Matzke) Trapp; her husband Vernon; her sister Elaine Youngman and her son Les Krenz.

A special thanks to The Legacy Place for caring for Faye so well, Dr. Traverse and the nursing and chaplain service at CHI Mercy Hospital in Valley City. Also thanks to the kind, caring, and compassionate staff at Bethany on University in Fargo and to Hospice of the Red River Valley for all they did for Faye in her final days.

Memorials preferred to First Lutheran Church of Litchville, St. John's Lutheran Cemetery or Hospice of the Red River Valley.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City. An online guestbook is available at olovernathanchapel.com

Cemetery Details

St. John's Cemetery

Marion, ND

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 17. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Traditions Funeral Services - Oliver Nathan Funeral Chapel
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Valley City, ND 58072
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

BK

“ *Jan & family -*

I'm sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Reading her obituary one can understand the comment that she was a strong, independent woman. She raised her daughter to be the same. Please accept my sincere condolences.

- Brad Kasson

Bradley Kasson - September 20, 2021 at 11:38 PM

JK

Thank you Brad. I only wish I had her inner strength right now.

Jan Krenz - September 27, 2021 at 07:30 AM

RV

“ *Dear Jan and Family,*
So sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. Our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. We know she was a very special lady and will be missed by many!
Sincerely,
Robert and Stacey Voglewede

Robert Voglewede - September 17, 2021 at 10:28 PM

JK

Thank you so much for your support during this difficult time.

Jan Krenz - September 27, 2021 at 07:31 AM

FT

“ From your family at Acme Tools purchased the Pretty Please for the family of LaFaye "Faye" Krenz.



From your family at Acme Tools - September 16, 2021 at 10:00 AM

DP

“ Jan and family, so sorry to read about your mother passing. It is always hard no matter their age. Jan, I think you look like your mother!



Deb Pedersen - September 15, 2021 at 12:20 PM

JK

Thank you so much Deb. I could do a lot worse. I've often wondered how you are doing. Well I hope.

Jan Krenz - September 15, 2021 at 10:22 PM