



## Marlys H. Hannig

August 8, 1951 - July 24, 2021

Marlys Hannig, age 69, of Oriska, ND, died Saturday, July 24, 2021, at her home surrounded by her family, after a long courageous battle with cancer. Visitation will be held 5:00 - 7:00 pm, with a prayer service at 7:00 pm, Friday, August 6, 2021 at Connect Church, Valley City, ND. The prayer service will be viewable via live stream at <https://vimeo.com/580009822> A private family graveside service will be held at Hillside Cemetery, Valley City.

Marlys was born August 8, 1951 to Hjalmer and Myrtle Jensen. She grew up in Valley City, ND, attended College High, and graduated from Valley City High School in 1969, Marlys attended New York Hair Styling in Fargo, ND, graduating in 1970. After working a brief time in Fargo, Marlys married Daniel Hannig May 14, 1971 in Valley City, ND. Together they had six children they raised on a farm near Oriska, ND. Even though farm life and her children kept Marlys busy, she found time to work at Ole's Bakery, Tower View Cafe and Open Door Center for the last 25 years, retiring January 2021.

Marlys' love was her family. In a moment's notice, she would have Taco Night for her family, so everyone could get together. Marlys always made sure her family had lefse every Thanksgiving and Christmas Day and provided her grandchildren with chokecherry jelly. Marlys also enjoyed company that would come to visit, as she would always put a pot of coffee on.

Marlys trusted fully in the Lord, especially when challenges would come her way. She would always remind us to have faith and to keep a positive attitude.

Marlys is survived by her husband of 50 years, Daniel; daughters, Stacey (Brad) Thomsen, Thompson, ND, Heidi (Al) Lindemann, Surprise, AZ, Emily (Shane) Stephenson, Waddell, AZ, and Katie (Roger) Potts, LaMoure, ND; her son, Darin (Jenna) Hannig, Oriska, ND; her son-in-law Chad Erickson, Tower City, ND; 19 grandchildren, and one great grandchild. Marlys is also survived by two brothers, Jim (Rachel) Jensen, Valley City and Marlin (Conny) Jensen, Sanborn, ND and her brother-in-law Brent Olstad, Minot,

ND.

Marlys is preceded in death by her daughter Mindy Erickson, parents, Myrtle and Hjalmer Jensen and her sister, Alice Olstad.

It would be wrong to say that Marlys lost her battle because she never stopped fighting. No matter how sick she was, she was always determined. When anyone else would have broken, Marlys stayed strong. Through her, we know what resilience and perseverance truly look like. Just because she is no longer here, it doesn't mean she lost her fight.

The family would like to thank Roger Maris Cancer Center for their care they provided during the years.

Marlys' request was that memorials go to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Hillside Cemetery

Valley City, ND

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Connect Church  
320 Central Ave S  
Valley City, ND 58072  
valleycitynaz@msn.com  
<https://www.connectvc.org/>

## Live Stream Prayer Service

AUG 6. 7:00 PM.

Live Stream Prayer Service - Marlys Hannig  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Marlys H. Hannig.*



August 06, 2021 at 08:26 AM

PO

“ *Sincere sympathy to your family as you lay a loved one to rest. It is never easy but with thankful hearts we hold her spirit in our hearts. She has truly set the example of facing illness with such a positive attitude and never backing down.*  
*Durward and Phyllis Otterness*

**Phyllis Otterness** - August 05, 2021 at 10:56 PM

KB

“ *My deepest sympathy in your loss. Have been acquainted with Marlys since our College High Days. She was always friendly and smiling even when fighting her battle. Treasure the memories and the time you had her. She will be watching over her family as your angel. God Bless.*

**Kaye (Davies) Belzer** - August 02, 2021 at 11:49 PM

MK

“ *What a wonderful lady, We have always been so grateful for all she did for our daughter Lynn*

*Linus & Margaret Kensok*

**Margaret & Linus Kensok** - August 01, 2021 at 11:26 AM

CM

“ *Carrie Winkels Maresh lit a candle in memory of Marlys H. Hannig*



**Carrie Winkels Maresh** - July 31, 2021 at 05:43 PM

DL

“ So sorry for your loss, Dan. My condolences, Dan Lowe.

Daniel Lowe - July 30, 2021 at 02:10 PM

SH

“ What a beautiful woman, she was such a special person, always made me feel like one of the family ,my heart goes out to Dan and the family.

Shirley Hoffmeyer - July 29, 2021 at 11:35 PM

ML

“ You & your family have our deepest sympathy at this sad time...

Mel & Marilyn



marilyn Lahlum - July 29, 2021 at 10:58 PM

RD

“ Lit a candle in memory of Marlys H. Hannig



roxanne dekrey - July 29, 2021 at 08:00 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marlys H. Hannig.



July 29, 2021 at 03:35 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marlys H. Hannig.



July 28, 2021 at 09:17 AM

JB

“ Thank You Marlys..... You were Truly a child of God on this earth & Now You Will Meet HIM Face to Face..... Thank You for your Love & Support whenever you were needed..... Your Love & Appreciation was Always felt especially in your Beautiful Smile..... Please Greet My Dad when you see him in Heaven We Will Miss You..... Judy Johnson Berg

Judy Johnson Berg - July 28, 2021 at 02:14 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Marlys H. Hannig.



July 27, 2021 at 10:39 PM

ET

“ Very nice person Prayers to Dan and family

Evelyn Trautmann - July 27, 2021 at 08:48 PM

AJ

“ When Marlys found out I was marrying an almost purebred Norwegian she and Danny gifted us one of her beautiful Norwegian wedding cakes for our reception. We moved away to Williston for several years, but when I was visiting Fargo I almost always managed to run into Marlys and Danny almost annually at where else--bulk grocery stores. For some reason these people still bought in bulk decades after their nest was "empty". As the years went by I was blessed with several babies. But every time we stood in the aisles of Sam's Club they would tease me that my crew had not yet reached their brood's number of 6. In June my sister and I came across Danny and Marlys at Costco. So I was able to show them pictures of my Roxy--baby number 6, who just happened to be born on Syttende Mai (May 17, Norway's Constitution Day). Few people care about this trivial little coincidence. But Danny and Marlys ooohed and ahhed. And I told Marlys that Roxy surely wouldn't have been born that day if not for the wedding cake she had given us a decade earlier. Marlys was also especially encouraging to me when 2 of my boys were diagnosed with autism.



Alexa Orts Johnson - July 27, 2021 at 08:27 PM

LW

“ *Marlys was a very special lady! She was kind, loving and loved her family dearly. She was so proud of her grand kids all 19 of them. She could become friends with anyone. Marlys was one of the strongest women I know and her cancer never got her down. She was so positive about it and said when its her time God will be with her. I'm gonna miss her alot, she was like a 2nd mom! Prayers and thoughts to all of her family*



Lynn wilson - July 27, 2021 at 07:00 PM

JP

“ *Marlys was a beautiful person and never complained about her illness. She always had a smile and a kind heart. She will be missed. RIP Marlys.*



Jane Plecity - July 27, 2021 at 06:15 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers go out to you all! Marlys was one of a kind and she had a heart of gold -- always! She was one of the strongest, bravest women I have ever known, and her love for all will continue through the legacy that is her family. Holding you all up in prayer!*

Erika Bartunek - July 27, 2021 at 02:44 PM

CL

“ *Dan and family. I was very saddened when I got word of Marlys' passing. Marlys was one of the toughest women I have ever met. In the 30+ years she fought cancer I never heard her complain. She always put her family first and never wanted the attention. She called a spade a spade and did not mince words. It seemed she would do about anything for her kids and grandkids. Heaven will hold a special place for her for what she had gone through. Prayers and thoughts with all of you.*

Chuck L - July 27, 2021 at 01:40 PM

TL

“ Dan & family- thinking of you all in your loss of Marlys. You are most definitely right in talking about her fighting spirit and positive attitude. We have seen that for many years!

*"For whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." Romans 14:8 We will see our loved ones again.*

*Tom & Laurie Liebing*

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**Tom & Laurie Liebing** - July 27, 2021 at 12:51 PM