

Janice Ardele (Highley) Thompson, 92, from Glenfield, North Dakota, passed away on May 12, 2021, in Mandan, ND. She was a devoted member of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church and served faithfully with the Alter Society.

Janice was born on August 3, 1928, in Melville, ND to Clara (Zink) and Emmette Highley. She attended grade school in Melville and graduated from Carrington High School in 1946. She attended three years at Jamestown College and graduated from Valley City State. Janice taught in Foster County schools for thirty-three years including combined rural classrooms, primary and upper grades as well as high school. Her first teaching contract was for \$210 per month which included doing her own janitorial work!

In 1952, she married Melvin Thompson and moved to the Thompson farm near McHenry, ND. They divorced in 1980. Janice was a very active participant in the farming responsibilities. She was capable of running all farm equipment and helped seed, hay, summer fallow and harvest. Janice especially enjoyed the animals and took great care in raising sheep, turkeys, chickens, cattle, and especially.... her beloved cats! In addition, there was always a pony there for the many nieces and nephews to fight over. In the farmhouse, plenty of toys and books kept kids busy while Janice prepared wonderful meals in minutes. Homemade pickles, jams, and bread, along with garden vegetables, were always on the table only to be followed by her scratch cakes and desserts which we all savored.

Church, community, and friends were very important to Janice and she enjoyed sharing thousands of photos that she took at local weddings, showers, ballgames, etc. Her creative gift-giving, crafting, letter-writing, and kindness will be greatly missed.

Janice was so proud of the many accomplishments of her neighborhood farm kids - Thompsons, Frappiers, Smiths, and Pounds. Even after moving to Glenfield in 1980, she always kept in close contact with her farm neighbors while enjoying her wonderful new neighbors in Glenfield.

Janice will be greatly missed and remembered by her niece, Monica (David) Hartsoch, grandson Klint (Tina) Hartsoch and their children, Skylar (Adam) Reiff and Karter Hartsoch, along with her brother Pete's children: Keith Highley, Tom Highley, Kathy (Jim) Sleeper and numerous Thompson nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother Pete Highley, sisters -Marion Krakowski and Rena Everly, nephews - Ernest Highley and Larry Highley, and great-grandson, Tanner.



## My Photo Album

The photo album of my mind  
Holds treasured thoughts of you.  
And I can almost see again  
The things we used to do.  
I hear your voice. I see your smile  
I feel you close to me.  
The photo album of my mind  
Shows how we used to be.  
Time may have changed us through  
the years  
But I will always find  
you're just as I remember in  
the album of my mind.  
And as I turn page after page  
Such precious scenes I see  
The photo album of my mind  
Is very dear to me.  
It holds pictures of our past  
Like film reels of film unrolled  
I cherish all these photos in  
the album of my mind

Jeanne Losey

In Loving Memory of

# Janice Ardele Thompson

August 3, 1928 - Melville, ND

May 12, 2021 - Mandan, ND

### VISITATION

Thursday, May 27, 2021 ~ 12:00PM – 5:00PM  
Evans Funeral Home, Carrington, ND

### MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Friday, May 28, 2021 ~ 10:30AM  
Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, McHenry, ND

### OFFICIATING

Father Reese Weber

### SPECIAL MUSIC

Pastor James Booth

### READERS

Kaylin Frappier ~ Sydney Trottier ~ Kerry Smith

### GREETER

Kolette Trottier

### PALLBEARERS

Klint Hartsoch ~ Keith Highley ~ Greg Thompson  
Lyndon Thompson ~ Mike Monson ~ Ken Fiechtner

### BURIAL

Carrington Cemetery  
Carrington, ND

Arrangements by

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