

Jean Lessner, 94, of New Rockford, ND passed away on Monday, May 15, 2023 at the Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd, New Rockford, ND.

Jean Johnson was born on April 8, 1929 to Lois and Harold Johnson in New Hartford, Iowa. She graduated in 1966 with her Associates in Art degree and 1968 with a Registered Nurse degree from Shoreline Community College in Seattle, WA. She worked as a registered nurse. Jean married John Lessner on March 17, 1987 at the Little Chapel of the West in Las Vegas, NV.

She attended Trinity Lutheran Church of Carrington and later, New Rockford First Lutheran Church. While living in Carrington she belonged to the Carrington Hospital Auxiliary, VFW Auxiliary, Carrington Senior Center and was Cardiac Support Group Chairman. She later moved to New Rockford, where she resided at Heritage House, to be closer to her Allmaras family.

In addition to the many dear friends she made at Heritage House, she enjoyed making tied quilts for family and friends, singing and playing the piano, reading and enjoying books by Christian authors, journaling and writing. Above all things, her passions were her Tuesday Bible study and her Thursday afternoon prayer group.

Jean is survived by her daughters, Terri (Ron) Love of Everett, WA and Gini Johnson of Shoreline, WA; siblings, Frederick Johnson of Marysville, WA and Janis (Terry) of Clarksville, TN; six grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild.

She is preceded in death by her husband, John Lessner; parents, Harold and Lois Johnson; brothers, Donald (Jean) Johnson and Robert (Elberta) Johnson; sister, Joan (Bill) Holmes; sister-in-law, Joyce Johnson and son, Thomas Gulseth.

*Celebrating*

THE LIFE OF



*Jean Lessner*

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APRIL 8, 1929 – MAY 15 2023

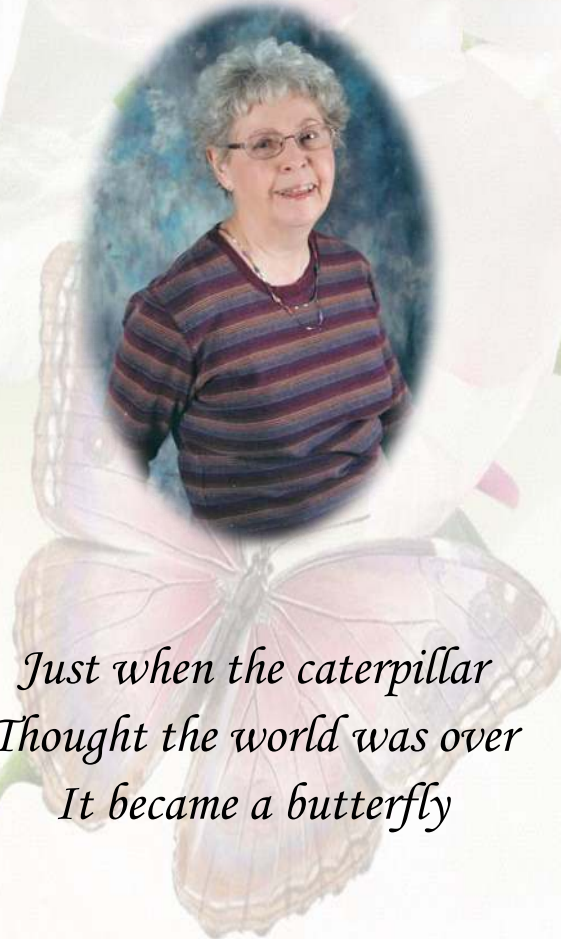
On the Occasion of her passing, you may wonder,  
Who is Jean Lessner? Let us tell you.

She is a miracle of life born April 8, 1929,  
a Johnson, a daughter, a sister, an Iowa girl,  
a talented musician, a singer

A California girl, an avid reader, a Vance, a wife, a mother

A Gulseth, a believer, a Sunday school teacher,  
a nurse, a grandmother, a writer,  
a provider of hospitality, a lover of life

A Lessner, a North Dakotan, a foot care provider,  
a grief support group leader, an accompanist,  
a great grandmother, a quilt maker, Aunt Jean,  
a beloved friend, a devout disciple, a mentor, an author,  
a great great grandmother, a faith-filled follower of the  
Lord Jesus Christ, a virtuous woman, an inspiration,  
and a beloved woman to all of us!  
~ Jessica Wilson (Granddaughter)



*Just when the caterpillar  
Thought the world was over  
It became a butterfly*

Celebrating The Life Of

## *Jean Lois Lessner*

April 8, 1929 – New Hartford, IA  
May 15, 2023 – New Rockford, ND

### **VISITATION**

Thursday, May 18, 2023  
10:00AM - 12:00PM

Evans Funeral Home, New Rockford, ND  
1:00PM - 2:00PM

Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd Chapel, New Rockford, ND

### **FUNERAL SERVICE**

Thursday, May 18, 2023  
2:00PM

Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd Chapel, New Rockford, ND

### **OFFICIATING**

Pastor Paula Loewen

### **MUSIC**

Paula Loewen and Kerstin Allmaras ~ *It Is Well With My Soul*

### **Recorded Music**

*How Great Thou Art* ~ Carrie Underwood  
*Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)* ~ Pentatonix

### **READINGS**

Joanna Catlin ~ Obituary  
Jessica Wilson ~ Eulogy

### **PALLBEARERS**

Joey Allmaras ~ Jamie Allmaras ~ Donnie Allmaras  
Alan Allmaras ~ Darren Allmaras ~ Kenny Thompson

### **HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

Fred Allmaras and the rest of the Allmaras Family

### **BURIAL**

St. Elizabeth's Catholic Cemetery, Sykeston, ND at a later date

Arrangements by  
Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND  
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