

Faithful wife and mother, avid reader, baker of exceptional pies and cookies, this tenacious, strong-minded, woman was born on July 31, 1936 to Martin and Gisella Huss in Sykeston, ND, and died peacefully on June 5, 2025, at the age of 88 years.



She graduated from Sykeston Public School in 1954 and worked for 3M in St. Paul after high school. On October 11, 1958, Fran married Merlyn Johnson and together they raised four children on their family farm outside of Sykeston. She taught by example the value of hard work and taking pride in a job well-done.

Fran worked for many years as the Gaming Manager for the Carrington Youth Center. She and Merlyn enjoyed spending a few winter months in Boulder City, NV where she would work as a Casino Dealer. She found joy in her yard and flower gardens, especially her tidal wave petunias, and passed that joy onto her children. Attracted by her lively personality and ability to listen, many people considered Fran a friend.



Fran is survived by her four children, Marcy (Mark) Syman – Stillwater MN, Lisa (Paul) Klocke – Carrington ND, Wesley (Camey) Johnson – Washburn ND, and Alison (Shane) Schumann – Carrington ND; 12 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; sister, Hilda Rafferty; sisters and brothers-in-law, Shirley Huss, Yvonne and Bob Miller, and Steve and Jeanette Johnson; and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband and parents; parents-in-law, Victor and Beatrice Johnson; her brother, George Huss; sister, Margaret Linhart; sister-in-law, Vickie Sarro; and brother-in-law, Lowell Johnson.

May she rest in peace and love.

## *In Loving Memory*



## *Frances “Fran” Johnson*

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JULY 31, 1936 - JUNE 5, 2025



Celebrating A Beautiful Life  
**Frances Theresa Johnson**

July 31, 1936 – rural Sykeston, ND

June 5, 2025 – Carrington, ND

***FINAL HARVEST***

*She was bound to the land from the day of her birth*

*Her roots anchored deep in the fertile earth.*

*Nurtured, sustained, by the soil she grew*

*And her life, like her furrows, ran straight and true.*

*In faith, each spring, she planted the seeds in hope,  
to reap her family's needs*

*With patience, she waited for the harvest to come*

*To gather the fruits of her labor home.*

*Ever turning seasons, the years sped past,*

*Till the final harvest came at last.*

*Then claimed anew by beloved sod,*

*She was gathered home to be with God.*

*by Barbara W. Weber*

**VISITATION**

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

1:00PM - 4:00PM

Evans Funeral Home, Carrington, ND

5:30PM - 6:30PM

St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, Sykeston, ND

**ROSARY & VIGIL SERVICE**

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

Rosary ~ 6:00PM

Vigil Service ~ 6:30PM

St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, Sykeston, ND

**MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL**

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

10:30AM

St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, Sykeston, ND

**OFFICIATING**

Father Darrick Leier ~ Mass of Christian Burial

Deacon Bart Salazar ~ Vigil Service

**MUSIC**

St. Elizabeth's Celebration Singers

**Soloists**

Alison Schumann ~ Mark Syman ~ Marcy Syman

Nick Syman ~ Mara Syman

**PALLBEARERS**

Logan Schumann ~ Bailey Fletcher ~ Brandon Sem ~ Heidi Boehm

Brady Johnson ~ Monty Johnson ~ Brad Klocke ~ Erin Dockter

Andy Klocke ~ Carl Klocke ~ Mara Syman ~ Nick Syman

**BURIAL**

St. Elizabeth's Catholic Cemetery, Sykeston, ND

Arrangements by

Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND

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