





The Anderson's



The Love of a Family is Life's Greatest Blessing.







In Loving Memory Of
Janice Joy Anderson

Born to Oddie & Ieleen Tiisto
April 20, 1944 ~ Spokane, Washington

Returned to Her Heavenly Father
October 31, 2026 ~ Minot, North Dakota

Funeral Services
11:00 AM on Tuesday, November 10, 2026
Our Savior's Free Lutheran Church
Stanley, North Dakota

Officiating
Pastor Brent Raan

Accompanist
Heidi Fluhrer

Pallbearers
Rooster Reynolds
Casey Johnson
Jake Anderson
Riley Halvorson
Brody Skaar
Stetson Anderson

Honorary Pallbearers
All of Janice's Grandkids, Great-Grandkids
and Great-Great Grandkid

Special Music
"How Great Thou Art" ~ Processional
"Old Rugged Cross" ~ Congregational
"May The Circle Be Unbroken" ~ Recessional

Final Resting Place
Belden Finnish Cemetery ~ Belden, North Dakota

Arrangements By
Springan Stevenson Funeral Home
Stanley, North Dakota

Celebrating THE *Life* OF
Janice Joy Anderson
April 20, 1944 - October 31, 2026



Janice Joy Tiisto was born in Spokane, WA on April 20, 1944, to Oddie and Ieleen (Arndt) Tiisto. Her family returned to North Dakota to farm near Belden, ND where Janice grew up. Janice attended country grade schools then graduated from Stanley High School.

Janice moved to Alaska for a time where she worked in her Aunt Edra's souvenir shop. When Janice returned to North Dakota, she was swept off her feet by a cowboy she had known since grade school. She married Leslie Duane Anderson on May 13, 1966. Together they raised 6 children in rural Belden, ND, where she remained living until the time of her passing. Leslie passed away in 2016, and Janice had missed him every day since.

Janice loved having a big family and never grew tired of snuggling all the new babies that came along. The morning she passed away, she was bragging to nurses about how many grandchildren she had. Janice loved her family dearly and never failed to make sure they knew that each time she spoke with them. She always kept in close contact with her children and grandchildren and loved a good face time chat to catch up. Janice also loved her sister Karen who was recently able to come stay a few days with Janice at her home which was truly a blessing.

Christmas was a special time for Janice and no matter how big the family got, she wanted to buy gifts for each and every one. She also wanted to accomplish the majority of this in 1 shopping trip around December 20th so it usually became more of an overnight mission that one of her granddaughters would help her with. Janice loved to make a home cooked meal for her family and wasn't afraid to venture away from the norm either from one of the hundreds of cookbooks she had collected, or from just putting her own spin on it.

It wasn't uncommon to sit down to a meal of something you had never seen or even heard of before. She would keep you guessing and you always knew Christmas dinner was ready once the sweet potatoes started on fire.

Janice loved her friends and cousins and cherished get togethers which were usually hours spent visiting at Joyce's cafe. She also enjoyed girls trips and outtings with her good friends Lou and Monte.

Janice worked for Tri City in Stanley, and drove a route for the Minot Daily. She also had jobs in New Town at the grocery store bakery, bowling alley kitchen, and nursing home. Janice was also a foster parent for years which gave her many more people to love and form lasting relationships with. Janice loved to visit and had no problem striking up conversations with complete strangers everywhere she went. This at times ended up being a blessing for someone who needed someone to talk to.

Janice had two dogs that she loved. Bear and Daisy were constant companions who watched over and worried about her constantly, and who are now also grieving.





Above all else, Janice loved the Lord. She loved to read and the Bible was her favorite. She often talked of her childhood and memorizing the most Bible verses in her Sunday school class was a treasured memory. She knew the power of prayer and made sure her family knew it too. Janice went home to Heaven on October 31, 2026.We know that when she passed, Jesus welcomed her with open arms saying "well done good and faithful servant".... and maybe lovingly "woman, you have talked my ear off".

Janice was preceded in death by her husband, Leslie; her parents, Oddie and Ieleen; her brother-in-law, Gene; and her father and mother in-law, Silas and Gladys.

She is survived by her children, Wanda Halvorson, Becky (Dan) Johnson, Scott (Tori) Anderson, Kim (Wes) Reynolds, Tera (Wade) Skaar, and Brent (Nixie) Anderson; sister, Karen Wichterman; extended siblings, Sherry, Shirley, & Shawn Sundean; her grandchildren, Haley (Scott), Stevie, Riley, Dallas (Mariah), Sunny (Trystan), Casey (Amber), Derek (Shayna), Tanner (Cheyenne), Stetson (Jordan), Trent, Dawson, Fancy (Braeden), Dusty (Aaron), Rooster (Paloma), Brody (Morgan), Dane, Jordee, Jacob (Kaitlyn), Jud, and Cody; her great-grandchildren, Harper, Addie, Bowen, Elsie, Finley, Blake, Gavin, Jayce, Tate, Skylee, Linnaya, Haakon, Seeley, Scottie, Coy, Hannah, Hunter, Lily, Eli, Mason, Easton, Lyndi-Mae, Silas, Theo, Emerie, Frankie, and Leslie; and her great-great grandson, Grayson.

God bless the memory of Janice Anderson.