



GOD WILL CARRY YOU

The Lord will never leave us nor forsake us,
He promised He'd be with us through it all.
It often seems He's walking right beside us
As He guides us through our problems, large and small.
But there are times we just can't feel His presence,
When the road's so rough, we need Him all the more-
We wonder why we're so alone and helpless,
Why His hand's not there to lead us as before...
But if we listen quietly, He'll tell us,
"Take a moment and remember what I said:
If you fail to see me walking right beside you,
It's because I have you in my arms instead-
For together, we will cross the highest mountain,
Together we will face the stormy sea,
You never are alone, you're never helpless!
I'll carry you – let go and lean on me."

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Inga Koeckeritz

WHO WAS BORN

May 8, 1930
Bellingham, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

February 5, 2019
Princeton, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday, February 9, 2019 - 1:30 p.m.
Trinity Lutheran Church
Ortonville, Minnesota

OFFICIANT

Pastor Thaine Kister

MUSICIANS

Janet O'Neill, Accompanist
Paul Maatz, Vocalist

CASKET BEARERS

Stacy Decker David Steen Erin Soukup
Toshie Braun Paxton Steen Dalton Thompson

HONORARY BEARERS

Charles Yerigan Helen Yerigan Robert Yeager Greta Yeager
Morris Tietjen Clara Lotthammer Jeanette Bohlman Kathy Karels

INTERMENT

Trinity Lutheran Cemetery
Walter Township, Lac Qui Parle County, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Inga's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply
appreciated. Following the service, please join the family
for food and fellowship.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home
Ortonville, Minnesota

*I*nga Louise Anna Koeckeritz was born on May 8, 1930, to Gustav A. Boehnke and Marie Carolyn Hildebrandt in Bellingham, MN. She graduated from high school in 1948 and went on to become a nurse's assistant. Inga was married to Elton Elmer Steen from April of 1953 until October 3, 1960, when he passed. Later, Inga met Clarence William Koeckeritz. They were married on June 11, 1966, and were together until his passing on October 11, 2002.

Inga lived in several places doing what she loved - being a nursing assistant, waitress, and a home health care aid. Places she lived were: Bellingham, MN, where she grew up; Ortonville, MN; St. Paul, MN; Willmar, MN; Zimmerman, MN; and Elk River, MN. Inga was a member of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. She was active in 4-H and the Ladies Aid. She loved to be with people. Inga enjoyed helping others in any way she could which included being involved with many of the church activities and assisting where needed. Inga liked to stay busy tending to her garden, cross stitching, embroidering, and making her famous donuts!

Cherishing Inga's memory are her children: Jeffrey (Wendy) Steen of Valencia, Spain; John (Debbie) Steen of Altoona, IA; James (Brenda) Steen of Hanover, MN; Julie (Ralph) Braun of Zimmerman, MN; Jerald "Jerry" (Carmen) Steen of Sioux Falls, SD; and Mary (Steve) Stadler of St. Anthony, MN; 23 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; sisters, Rhoda Bork of Bloomington, MN; and Jeanette (Gene) Johnson of East Grand Forks, MN; sisters-in-law: Clara Lotthammer, Joan Boehnke, Helen Yerigan, Alice Bakke, and Elaine Creitz; brother-in-law, Roger Steen; along many nieces and nephews, other extended family, and dear friends.

Inga was preceded in death by her husbands: Elton Steen and Clarence Koeckeritz; parents: Gustav and Marie Boehnke; brothers: Norman, Kenneth, and Gustav; sister, Maryann Ankele; two great-grandchildren; and beloved in-laws, extended family, and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: Trinity Lutheran Church in Ortonville, MN, or Trinity Lutheran Church in Bellingham, MN.

