



Ann Johs

February 12, 1923 - December 29, 2008

Ann Johs, 85, Bismarck, formerly of Napoleon, died peacefully on December 29, 2008, at her home. Funeral services will be held on Friday, January 2, 2009, at 10:30 AM at Church of St. Anne in Bismarck with Rev. Ed Wehner and Rev. Tom Richter officiating. Burial will be at St. Anthony's Cemetery south of Napoleon at 3:00 pm. Visitation will be held on Thursday from 5:00 – 9:00 PM at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway, Bismarck, where a Catholic Daughters Rosary and vigil service will be held at 7:00 PM. Visitation will continue on Friday one hour prior to the service at the church. Ann was born on February 12, 1923, in Emmons County, the daughter of Markus and Helen Marquart Gefre. She grew up and attended school in rural Hague. Ann married John J. Johs on October 30, 1944. They farmed in rural Napoleon until moving to Bismarck in 1973. She was a member of the Church of St. Anne as well as Catholic Daughters. She enjoyed playing cards, embroidering, and playing pinochle with her grandkids. She also enjoyed caring for her children, grandkids, and provided daycare for many children throughout the years. Ann is survived by one son, Steve Shirley Johs of Bismarck; six daughters, Florence Frank Wangler of Kintyre, Helen Leonard Berger of Bismarck, Jo Robert Jordan of Des Moines, IA, Bernie Allen Huber of Bismarck, Shirlene Scott Schafer of Bismarck, and Carleen Dan Scherr of Bismarck; twenty-two grandchildren, Troy, Darrin and Robin, Lori, Cheryl and Tom, Kristi and Drew, Cleo and Michael, Miranda and Scott, Ryan and Lori, Derek and Jamie, Brandon and his fiancée Chelsie, Jason, Tyler, Layne, and

twins, John and Jay; twelve great-grandchildren, Kylie, Dylan, Aisha, Brady, Ethan, Saralyn, Katelyn, Aiden, Luke, Thomas, Madison, and Sarah; two sisters, Theresa Mastel of Linton, and Rose Tony Holzer of Linton; three sisters-in-law, Betty Lauinger of Linton, Rita Aberle of Strasburg, and Mary Ann Gefroh of Linton; and John's sister, Mary Weigel of Napoleon, and brother, Adam Sally Johs of Napoleon. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John; one son, George; one great-grandson, Silas; seven brothers; and three sisters. Special thanks to the caregivers, Patricia Decker and Bonnie Hogue for helping us take care of our mom.

Tribute Wall

SF

“ We were saddened to read of Ann's passing, we only have good memories of her! Our guys, Chris & Ryan, are now 35 & 32 years old and your mom actually potty trained Ryan! She was the only one who could do it, he wouldn't do it for us! I always remember coming to pick them up and they did not want to come home with me! They wanted to stay and play with the other little rebels...She always home cooked the meals and would offer to send home some kuchen for a snack! When we weren't scheduled to go to "gramma's" which we all called her they wondered why, they wanted to go and have fun. Oh my gosh, one time we were leaving town and she took the boys overnight and also got the dog! She will be remembered fondly by us. God's blessing to all of you, Sue.

Sue & Bernie Feland - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ To the Ann Johs Family,I moved to Bis. 7 years ago. I was at a funeral here in Bis.& at the lunch sat at a table with my Aunt Margaret Geffre is how I met Ann. From that time on we always said hi & visited every chance we had. I sure enjoyed knowing her, she was so friendly & nice to visit with. It has been so great for me to meet family I never had a chance to get to know till now these late years of my life.Blessings to All--Selma

Selma Schumacher - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ To the Family of Aunt Ann, We know how hard it is to say good-by to your own mother. Even after 30 years we still thing about them. With deepest sympathy. We will remember you in our prayers.
George & Elaine Gross

George & Elaine Gross - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ I am one of Ann's granddaughters daughter of Florence and Frank and I have to say she was a good grandmother. I remember so well how generous she was, always offering food even when we weren't hungry, remembering us at Christmastime with gifts, and always giving us a little something when we visited. I remember how inviting she and grandpa were when we came to their home for a visit. I always felt so welcomed. Whenever I talked to her on the phone, she immediately asked how my kids were doing and how my husband was doing. She cared deeply for her family, and it showed. When I said goodbye to her at her home or ended a phone conversation with her, I would always tell her that I loved her. I can still hear that German accent come through when she replied, "Yah, I luff you too." She said this to me a week before she passed, and it was very special to me. Lots of good memories with my grandma and I will miss her.

Cleo Wangler Hartung - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VN

“ Johs family - I was so sorry to read about the death of your mother. It brought back so many fun memories that we did together as families many years ago. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Our deepest sympathy. Vicky and Ron

Vicky Wald Nagel - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ Sorry to hear about Aunt Ann. We have so many good memories that go way back to the farm. She was always there for us when Mom and Dad were sick. Our heart goes out to the family. Love Mary and Gary.

Marybeth Perala & Gary - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM