

Patricia Ulven
August 22, 1942 - December 1, 2025

Patricia Jean (Nelson) Ulven, age 83, passed away peacefully on December 1, 2025, in Gwinner, North Dakota.

Born on August 22, 1942, in Fargo, North Dakota, Patricia was the daughter of Helmer and Gladyce (Rothhouse) Nelson. She graduated from Milnor Public School in 1960 and went on to build a life rooted in dedication to her family and community.

Patty married Clarmont Ulven, on June 11th, 1961, and made a home outside of Gwinner, North Dakota where they shared 64 wonderful years of marriage. Together they raised three daughters: Kari Ulven, Karla Ulven (Craig Beedy), and Kris Beck (Shawn). Patty took immense joy in her role as a grandmother to Izabelle and Alannah. She also cherished her relationships with Jackie, Tucker, and Landon Meyer, step-grandchildren Kendra Beedy (Seth) and Kelton Beedy (Brooke) and step-great-grandchild Nora.

Professionally, Patricia served as the Business Manager at North Sargent for 18 years. She also worked at Melroe Company in the accounting department for roughly 10 years. Her work ethic and commitment were evident in all she did.

Patty's life was filled with simple joys that brought her great happiness. She loved reading, sewing, and especially her treasured time spent at the lake. Whether surrounded by friends or family, Patty found joy in connection and togetherness. She had a kind heart and a loving spirit that touched everyone who knew her. One of her greatest pleasures was spoiling her granddaughters—a role she embraced with warmth and enthusiasm.

She is also remembered by her sister Ardyce Albright; niece Kelly Nagel (Tom Nagel); nephew Erik; great-nephew Tate Carlson; and many others whose lives she enriched.

Patty was preceded in death by her parents Helmer and Gladyce Nelson; brother-in-law Larry Albright; and in-laws Levi and Florence Ulven.

It was Patty's wish there would be no funeral service, but there will be a gravesite service at a later date.

Please join us for a gathering of family and friends to honor and remember Patty on Monday, December 8th, from 2:00-5:00 pm at Mulligan's at The Springs, 565 Bogey Road, Gwinner, ND 58040. May Patty's memory bring comfort to those who knew and loved her.