

*She Is Gone*  
by David Harkins

You can shed tears that she is gone  
Or you can smile because she has lived  
You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back  
Or you can open your eyes and see all that she has left  
Your heart can be empty because you can't see her  
Or you can be full of the love that you shared

**Psalm 23**

1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

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*In Loving Memory*



**Joyce Zerfoss**

**March 20, 1939 — July 13, 2025**

Joyce Zerfoss, age 86, of Wessington, passed away surrounded by her family on Sunday, July 13, 2025, at the Huron Regional Medical Center, at the age of 86 years, 3 months and 23 days.

Joyce Elaine was born on March 20, 1939, to Harry and Grace (Bussell) Hawley, in Huron, South Dakota. She grew up and attended school in Wolsey.

On September 29, 1956, Joyce married her high school sweetheart, Jerold Zerfoss. They were blessed with two children, Dawn and Darwin. Joyce was a supportive Navy wife, moving to several states with the family for 20 years.

After retiring from the military in 1975, they started a new chapter in their lives and moved back to Wessington where they reconnected with their family and friends.

Joyce was active in the American Legion Auxiliary, the Presbyterian Church and other community activities.

Her family was always an important part of her life and she adored her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Joyce was preceded in death by her husband, Jerold in 2020; six of her siblings; and several of her in-laws.

She is survived by her family who will cherish their memories of her, son, Darwin Zerfoss of Wessington; daughter, Dawn (Kenny) Bailey of Waynesboro, Virginia; six grandchildren, Brandi (Scott) Gilbert of Hitchcock, Jared (Lacey) Zerfoss of Wessington, Brittney Zerfoss and Bailey Zerfoss, both of Huron, and Lauren (Dakota) Hypes and Zane Bailey, both Waynesboro, Virginia; and five great-grandchildren, Tucker, Jaylee and Harley Gilbert and Jeven and Makenna Zerfoss.

Joyce is also survived by her sister, Beth Miller; her in-laws, Lynette Hopkins, Janice (Larry) Arbogast, Janelle Zerfoss and Neil (Jackie) Zerfoss; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

*Joyce's family would like to express their appreciation for the excellent care given by the staff at the Huron Regional Medical Center during her final days.*



## *Funeral Service*

Thursday, July 17, 2025

11:00 AM

First Presbyterian Church  
Wessington, South Dakota

## *Eulogist*

Deb Schultz

## *Music*

*The Old Rugged Cross*

by Lacey Zerfoss

*Heaven Sweet Home*

by Blake Shelton and Craig Morgan

*Amazing Grace*

by Alan Jackson

## *Casket Bearers*

Jared Zerfoss

Jeven Zerfoss

Kent Clarke

Scott Gilbert

Tucker Gilbert

Kevin Clarke

## *Interment*

Wessington Cemetery

Wessington, South Dakota

## *Auxiliary Honors*

Watson-Krauter Post #110 American Legion Auxiliary  
Wessington, South Dakota