



# Dolores J. Knutson

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**D**olores JoAnn Nygaard Knutson, age 91, of Waupaca, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, April 26, 2022. She was born in Scandinavia on May 25, 1930 to the late Carl and Sadie Nygaard.

Dolores, also known as Grandma Lolly, was the oldest of six children. She was married to Elroy (Jr) Knutson in June 1949. He preceded her in death in October 1990. She was a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Dolores was devoted to her family. She was an excellent cook, seamstress and hard worker. Previous to retirement, Dolores worked for the Iola-Scandinavia Public Schools where she served as a cook. She also served as a waitress at the Crystal Café during the summers and later was employed by the Veterans Home in King.

Dolores was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Waupaca and the Bethel Circle where she helped serve lunch for funerals and sewed quilt tops for the Mission Quilters. She was a giving person and always put others before herself.

Dolores was preceded in death by her parents; son-in-law David Coley; two brothers David Nygaard and Duane Nygaard; and sister-in-law Judy Nygaard.

She is survived by her four daughters Darlene (Gary) Otterson, Reston VA; Diane (Pat) Mulroy, Wesley Chapel FL; Debbie (Rollie) Johnson, Waupaca; and Dawn Coley, Corsicana, TX; ten grandchildren Rob Johnson, Meredith Otterson, Kelly (Lura) Mulroy, Andy Mulroy, Melanie O'Keefe, Meegan (Paul) Gross, Jac (Michelle) Johnson, Jordan (Katie) Johnson, Sadie (James) Jordan and Jonah (Samantha) Coley. She is also survived by 13 great-grandchildren, two brothers Phillip Nygaard and Robert Nygaard, sister Carolyn McKenzie, sisters-in-law Phyllis Nygaard, Valerie Nygaard and Beverly Nygaard, numerous nieces, nephews, and special family friend Lucy Braden.



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A Celebration of Dolores' life will be on Friday, June 3, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Trinity Lutheran Church in Waupaca. Reverend Erin Coutts will officiate. A visitation will be held on Friday morning from 9:00 – 11:00 AM at the church. Memorials are appreciated to Trinity Lutheran Mission Quilters or to Trinity Lutheran Youth Mission Trips. Dolores' celebration of life will be live-streamed at [click here](#) The Holly Funeral Home of Waupaca is assisting the family with arrangements.

A special thank you to the 2nd floor nurses and staff at Bethany Home for their love and care during her residency.




## Events

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### Memorial Visitation


 **Friday**, June 3, 2022

 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT

 **Trinity Lutheran Church**  
206 East Badger Street, Waupaca WI 54981


### Celebration of Life

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### Cemetery Details

 **Holly Cremation Service**  
Waupaca WI



# Tribute Wall

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**Martha & Pete Bridge** sent a Sweet Tenderness to the Knutson family.



June 2 at 4:34 AM



**Beth Nygaard** shared an album called **Memories Album**.



May 27 at 3:25 AM



**Debra Johnson** June 1 at 3:35 PM

Thanks for sharing Beth! You can see the funeral live streamed if you want.



**Doug Bergan** posted:

My thoughts and prayers to the family. Dolores and my mom are cousins and my mother Yvonne blessed me with many stories of how they grew up and enjoyed one another. Heaven just received a wonderful woman. Doug Bergan

May 15 at 3:41 AM



**Debra Johnson** June 1 at 3:31 PM

Thanks Doug. Mom always enjoyed the times she spent together with your mom in younger days and just a few years ago. Thank you for your message.



**John Johnson** posted:

Dear Knutson Sisters: I am sorry to hear about your Mom, I have many fond memories. Your old neighbor from Jackson St. JJ Johnson

May 13 at 8:43 AM



**Susan Mcclanahan** June 5 at 7:25 AM

I always loved when she visited Dawn. She was full of energy and I loved to hear her voice and accent! Will miss her energy. Prayers to you all.



**Debra Johnson** June 1 at 3:33 PM

Thank you Jay! Yes many fond memories! Coffee clutching in Heaven!!



# Media

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Beth Nygaard shared 2 photos to the **Memories Album** album.

May 27 at 3:25 AM





## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Dolores by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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