

On February 19, 2024 Constance (Connie) Marie Wilburn, age 75, met her Savior face to face.

Connie was born June 27, 1948 to Hjalmer August and Florence Marion Nelson. Connie was raised on a farm north of Palermo and attended Sidonia Country School for grade school and Palermo for high school. She then graduated from Minot State College and received a bachelor's degree for Elementary Education and a Minor in Music.

Connie married Gary Wilburn on June 8, 1969 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Sidonia Township. She taught school for 2 years at Glenburn and also subbed at surrounding schools. Connie and Gary lived in Minot, Velva, Sawyer and settled in Tioga in 1982. Together they have 8 children.

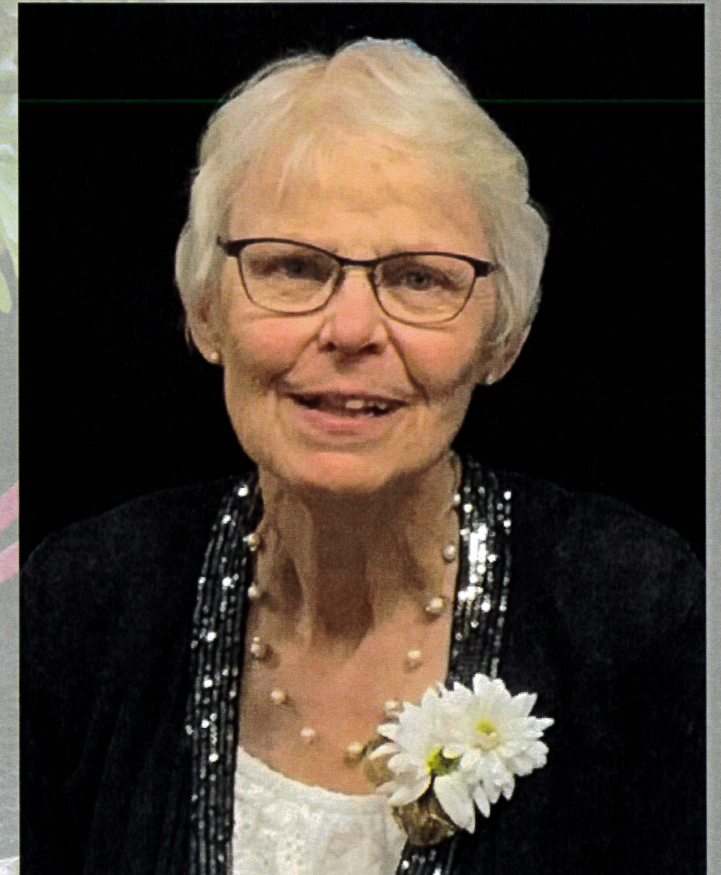
Connie loved God with all her heart, soul, mind and strength. Her life was lived in the fullness of God. This was shown through her love and service to her family, friends and all who knew her. She loved music, singing and playing piano. Her love of God and His Word was everything, she was a student of the Word. She attended Tioga Assembly of God where she served in numerous ministries. Serving as Sunday school superintendent, teaching Sunday school, girls ministries, power kids, and singing. She also taught Bible studies at the nursing home. Connie was a Proverbs 31 woman and will be greatly missed.

Connie is survived by her husband, Gary; her children, Shayne (Corinne) Wilburn, their children Cody (Emily) their child, Serenity Wilburn, Shayna Ottesen-Wilburn; Chad Wilburn; Cory (Shiloh) Wilburn, their children Jax, Jolie, Drew; Crystal (Daniel) Weiland, their children Avryl, Petrah, Neva; Gary (Ashley) Wilburn, their children Ethan, Isabella; Charles Wilburn; Chantel (Patrick) Fretland, their children Coulee, Berklee; Rachel (Mark) Myers, their children James, Constance Lila, Leah; sibling, Sherry Andersen; sister-in-law, Caryn Nelson.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Hjalmer and Marion Nelson; brother, James Nelson.



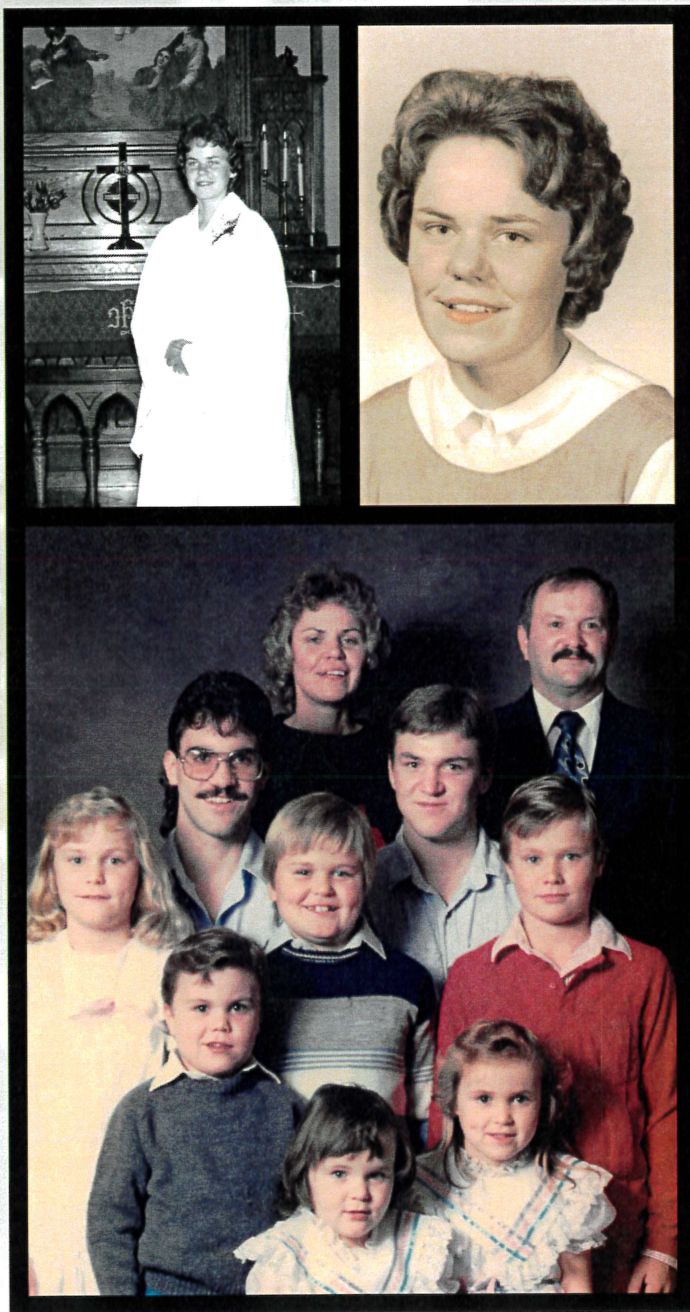
## *Celebrating The Life Of*



## *Connie Wilburn*

*June 27, 1948 - February 19, 2024*





## *Constance "Connie" Wilburn*

**Born to Hjalmer and Florence Nelson**

June 27, 1948 ~ Kenmare, North Dakota

**Returned to Her Heavenly Father**

February 19, 2024 ~ Tioga, North Dakota

**Celebration Of Life Service**

Friday, February 23, 2024 ~ 11:00 AM

Tioga Assembly Of God Church ~ Tioga, North Dakota

**Officiating**

Pastor Andrew Sheldon

**Eulogist**

Shayne Wilburn

**Speakers**

Cliff Sheldon

Brian Anderson

John Brady

**Soloist**

Rachel Myers

**Drummer**

Andy Kuntz

**Musician**

Patti Beck

**Music Selections**

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

"Hymn Of Heaven"

"Goodness Of God"

**Pallbearers**

Shayne Wilburn

Chad Wilburn

Cory Wilburn

Gary Wilburn

Charles Wilburn

Mark Myers

Daniel Weiland

Patrick Fretland

**Final Resting Place**

United Cemetery ~ Tioga, North Dakota

**Arrangements By**

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home

Tioga, North Dakota



*Love The Lord your God  
with all your Heart and  
with all your Soul and  
with all your Mind and  
with all your Strength.*

*Mark 12:30*