



When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

*When tomorrow starts without me,
please try to understand,
That an angel came and called my name
and took me by the hand.*

*The angel said my place was ready,
in Heaven far above,
And that I'd have to leave behind
all those I dearly love.*

*But when I walked through
Heaven's gates, I felt so much at home.
For God looked down, smiled at me,
And told me "Welcome Home."*

*So when tomorrow starts without me,
don't think we're far apart,
For every time you think of me,
I'm right there in your heart.*

In Loving Memory of Anne Koch

Born to Pete and Serine Brosten
August 21, 1926 ~ Sidney, Montana

Passed Away Peacefully
October 17, 2023 ~ Sidney, Montana

Funeral Service
October 24, 2023 at 10:00 am
Zion Lutheran Church ~ Fairview, Montana
Luncheon to Follow

Officiating
Pastor Tim O'Shields

Casketbearers
Jason Rau Math Vitt Trent Reidle Jace Vitt
Jaxon Vitt Jerron Rau Jake Rau

Honorary Casketbearers
All of Grandma's Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren,
and Great-Great-Grandchildren and Family and Friends

Ushers
Knox Baisch Paxton Baisch Bryan Dunbar Jon Dunbar

Music
Dan Parke ~ Soloist
Shawna Bergenheier ~ Accompanist

Final Resting Place
Yellowstone Point Cemetery ~ Cartwright, North Dakota

Arrangements By
Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home ~ Sidney, MT



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Anne Gerda Brosten Koch was born August 21, 1926, to Pete and Serine Brosten in Sidney, Montana.

She graduated from Sidney High School in 1944 and moved to Portland, Oregon to work in the shipyards during World War II. When she returned to Sidney, Mom taught for two years at Shadwell Country School.

Mom married Mathias M. Koch on June 10, 1950, at First Lutheran Church in Savage, Montana.

Myron Mathias was the first of their five children, followed by Cynthia Anne, Patricia Kay, Monica

Marie and Lisa Lynn. The farm and ranch life kept Mom busy from morning to night. They lived on the Martell Ranch for 20 years, then north of Cartwright, North Dakota for 38 years. Dad passed away in 2006. Mom moved to Sidney in 2008 and treasured all the special friendships she has made since then. She always loved time spent with family and friends.



Mom enjoyed sewing, quilting, and reading. Her favorite games were Wheel of Fortune, Bingo and the card game Hand and Foot, which brought out her competitive spirit. Just ask anyone who played with her!

Mom passed away peacefully on Tuesday October 17, 2023, at the Sidney Health Center Extended Care Facility in Sidney, MT surrounded by her family.

Mom is survived by her children: Cynthia (Steve) Vitt of Sioux Pass, MT; Patricia (Jerry) Rau of Sidney, MT; Monica (Brad) Baisch of Sidney, MT;

and Lisa (Lyle) Stoltz of Dickinson, ND; her sister Ruth Pederson of Sidney, MT; 13 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren, 3 great-great grandsons, numerous nieces and nephews and friend/caregiver Billie.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Serine and Pete; husband Math; son Myron; grandsons Mark Koch and Jeremy Rau; great granddaughter Lucy Quinn Vaira; and sister Verda Pederson.

Mom was telling jokes up until the very end. Her last joke was, "What did one eye say to the other?...There's something between us that smells." She kept us all laughing!

There is so much more we could say about our mom's 97 years but her specific instructions were, "Keep it short!" Guess from now on we'll all be playing it by ear!

WE LOVE YOU, MOM!

