



**Family Receive Friends**

Thursday, July 11, 2024 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.  
Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home  
Circle, Montana

**Funeral Services**

Friday, July 12, 2024 at 2:30 p.m.  
Faith Assembly of God  
Circle, Montana

**Officiating**

Pastor Owen Childers

**Congregational Hymns**

Led By: Garry Johnson & Marlys Erickson  
"I'll Fly Away" & "Power In The Blood"  
"When We All Get To Heaven"

**Pallbearers**

Steve Skundberg, Shad Haber, Dennis Erickson  
Cody Haber, Levi Bowman, Joseph Juliano

**Final Resting Place**

Riverview Cemetery  
Circle, Montana

Following the committal, a gathering with light refreshments will be held at the Church.

Everyone is welcome.

**Arrangements By**

Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home



*Marian Johnson*

JANUARY 23, 1947 - JULY 9, 2024

# Celebrating A LIFE



As the sun rose on the morning of Tuesday, July 9th 2024, our beautiful and beloved mom Marian Ann (Haber) Johnson went running into the loving arms of the Savior, whom she loved for so many years, with her loving husband Bill holding her in his arms. In a week, they would have been married 57 years.

Mom was born in Terry, Montana on January 23rd, 1947 to Theodore and Anna (Sukut) Haber of Brockway, Montana. She joined big brothers; Don, Glen and Harry. Her sister Betty and brother Larry would soon follow to complete the Haber clan. The family was raised on the farm north of Brockway where Mom was a real tom-boy and took after her dad loving everything horse. Mom spent many hours with her horses growing up, something she continued to enjoy her entire life. She loved riding and spent countless hours in the saddle or bareback and always enjoyed a good horse race. She often followed Grandpa Haber to wherever he was racing, to help him get set up and enjoyed a race or two before returning home.

Mom attended the Stoney Butte School west of the farm, through the 8th grade, with her siblings and the neighbor kids, the Garfields, the Quicks and the Yargers. She often told stories about the fun times they had at that little country school. She continued her education at Circle High School for her Freshman and Sophomore year and then went on to Lustre Christian High School in Lustre, Montana for her Junior and Senior year, graduating in 1965. Mom then went to Cosmetology School before returning to Circle in 1966.

Mom started waitressing at the Midway Cafe in 1966, working with her Aunt Margaret Waldbauer. She often talked about the fun times she had working with her Aunt. It was also in the Midway Cafe where she met her future husband Willard "Bill" Johnson in January of 1967. It didn't take long for the tall, dark-haired "Norsky" to convince his pretty, petite "Kraut" to marry him and that's exactly what they did on July 16th, 1967. They affectionately called each other the "Norsky" and the "Kraut" for the next 56 years.

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They lived in a variety of places in the early years, like Sidney and the Glasgow Air Force Base, but soon realized that McCone County was home and came back in the Spring of 1972. Their son Garry was born in 1968, daughter Kristie in 1972 and daughter Becky in 1973. The family continued to make McCone County home, living in and around Circle. Mom was truly happiest when we lived in the country, milking cows on our dairy and riding her horses, although, she also loved living in Circle. There she had her flower gardens and her and dad took up riding motorcycle, a hobby they very much enjoyed. They spent many summers touring the US and Canada on their bike and loved every minute of it. They flat wore out 3 different touring bikes.

Mom was always a hard worker and worked at several places around Circle, including the Midway Cafe, F T Reynolds and Ernst's Super Valu, but she found her favorite job when she started working at the McCone County Hospital. She work there until the Hospital closed and then transitioned to the Health Center, where she had a career of 30 years. Along with working, she always made time for her kids, chores and whatever else needed to be done. You didn't find Mom sitting. She also started driving route and activity buses in 2003 and continued taking Circle School kids to and from school and activities right up until the time of her passing. She truly loved driving bus and being with the kids.

Mom and Dad became grandparents in 1998 with Brennan. Mom loved her role as "Gramma" and that love continued to grow when Tyler came along in 2000 and Kyleigh in 2001. There wasn't much that Gramma wouldn't do for the kids that she adored with all her heart. She became "Great-Gramma" in 2021 with Isaac and 2023 with Hallie and couldn't have been happier.

Mom was a quiet and reserved lady who always had a smile on her face and a twinkle in her bright, blue eyes. She was kind and compassionate and that radiated from every inch of her 5' 3" body. She might have been small in stature, but she was as big as life in every way.

Mom is preceded in death by her parents, Theodore and Anna Haber, a still-born sister Ruth, beloved brother Glen and her nephews Randy and Rick Haber. She is survived by her loving husband Bill of Circle, son Garry of Circle, daughter Kristie of Dickinson and daughter Becky of Glendive. She is also survived by her beloved sons-in-law Curtis Fuhs of Glendive and Dean Gabbert of Dickinson, grandchildren Brennan (Levi) Bowman of Wolf Point, Tyler Fuhs of Glendive and Kyleigh Fuhs of Bozeman and great-grandchildren Isaac and Hallie Bowman of Wolf Point. She is also survived by brothers Don, Harry (Judy) and Larry (LaDonna) and her favorite sister Betty (Chuck) Kleppelid and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Mom, you've left a mighty big hole in our world and it will never be filled this side of Heaven. We love you and adore you and life will never be the same. BUT, we know than one day we're going to see you again with your beautiful smile and twinkling blue eyes in that wonderful land just beyond the pearly gates.