

Marlys Ann (Nielsen) Swigerd was born on January 16, 1942, in Fenton, IA to Marinus and Alma (Olsen) Nielsen. In the late 1940's, the family moved to Clinton, MN, where Marlys attended country school, was confirmed at Elim Lutheran Church, and attended Clinton High School.

Marlys married Lorance Hamann on October 18, 1958, they later divorced. On January 24, 1975, Marlys was united in marriage to Robert Swigerd in Milbank, SD. The couple lived in Ortonville until 1984, then moved to Wahpeton, ND, and resided there until August of 2005 when they returned to Ortonville. Over the years, Marlys worked at National T Grocery Stores, Montgomery Ward, Cartwright Drug in Ortonville, MN, and Breck Drug in Breckenridge, MN.

Marlys and Bob loved spending time together. They attended auctions, went antiquing, enjoyed canoeing, and listening to country music. While living in Wahpeton, they would spend as much time as they could in their camper parked at Sunset View on Big Stone Lake, where their grandchildren loved to visit them. Marlys was a loyal Minnesota Vikings fan who didn't like to miss a game. She grew beautiful flowers and had a green thumb which she would proudly say, "I got from my dad!" She was an active member of Zion Lutheran Church and enjoyed helping out whenever they needed her.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband of 43 years, Robert; daughter, Darcy (Mike) Schloesser of Le Center, MN; step-children: Mark (Loretta) Swigerd of Ortonville, MN and Matt (Kari) Swigerd of Austin, MN; 12 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; a brother, Howard (Glenda) Nielsen of Marietta, GA; along with many nieces, nephews, and other family members.

Marlys was preceded in death by a daughter in infancy; a son, Blaine; step-daughter, Margo Berg; and her sisters: Mae Ardel Nielsen and Myrna (Wilfred) Kerstein.

## *Treasured Seasons*

*To everything there is  
a season, and a time  
for every purpose  
under heaven:*

*A time to be born and  
a time to die; a time to  
plant, and a time to  
pluck up that which is  
planted;*

*A time to kill and a  
time to heal; a time to  
break down and a  
time to build up;*

*A time to weep, and a  
time to laugh; a time to  
mourn and a time to  
dance;*

*A time to cast away  
stones, and a time to  
gather stones together;  
a time to embrace, and  
a time to refrain from  
embracing.*

*A time to get, and a  
time to lose; a time to  
keep, and a time to  
cast away;*

*A time to rend, and a  
time to sew; a time to  
keep silence and a  
time to speak;*

*A time to love, and a  
time to hate; a time of  
war and  
a time of peace.*





### **I'M THERE INSIDE YOUR HEART**

Right now I'm in a different place,  
And though we seem apart,  
I'm closer than I ever was....  
I'm there inside your heart.

I'm with you when you greet each day,  
And while the sun shines bright,  
I'm there to share the sunsets, too...  
I'm with you every night.

I'm with you when the times are good  
To share a laugh or two,  
And if a tear should start to fall...  
I'm always there for you.

And when that day arrives  
That we no longer are apart,  
I'll smile and hold you close to me...  
Forever in my heart.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

## *Marlys Ann Swigerd*

WHO WAS BORN

January 16, 1942

Fenton, Iowa

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

June 10, 2018

Ortonville, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Thursday, June 14, 2018 - 10:30 a.m.

Zion Lutheran Church

Ortonville, Minnesota

OFFICIANT

Rev. Ailsa Odom

MUSICIAN

Tonya Barnhardt, Organist

HONORARY BEARERS

Marlys's Grandchildren

INTERMENT

Mound Cemetery - Ortonville, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Marlys's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.

Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the inurnment, please join the family for food and fellowship in the church dining room.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home - Ortonville, Minnesota

**Memorial Donations can be made on Marlys's behalf to:**

**Zion Lutheran Church**

**806 Highland Highway**

**Ortonville MN, 56278**