

Barbara Guthmiller, 85

Barbara M. Guthmiller, 85, Sioux Falls and formerly Aberdeen, SD, died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2020 at Bethany Meadows, Brandon, SD.

Her funeral will be 11 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 23, 2020 at Zion Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls. The family will be present to greet friends 5-7 p.m., Wednesday evening at Miller Southside Chapel, Sioux Falls.

There will be a committal service, 1 p.m., Friday, Jan. 24, 2020 at Sunset Memorial Gardens, Aberdeen.

Barbara Guthmiller was born December 5, 1935 to Henry and Mabel (Wilmsen) Helmer, Andover, SD. She grew up and received her education in Andover, graduating from Andover High School in 1953.

She married Myron Guthmiller, December 11, 1955 in Aberdeen. Barbara worked as an accountant in Aberdeen before moving to Sioux Falls. She continued her work as an accountant with a goal of working for the VA Hospital located several blocks from her home. She was able to fulfill that dream and retired from the VA Hospital in 2000. In retirement, she was a devoted wife to Myron and assumed the role of full-time caregiver, after his diagnosis with Alzheimer's disease. She was equally devoted as Grandmother to her granddaughters, Megan and Nicole, volunteering to watch over them anytime she could.

Grateful for having shared her life are her two sons, James (Patricia) Guthmiller, Sioux Falls, and Jay Guthmiller, Modesto Calif.; two granddaughters, Megan Guthmiller and Nicole Guthmiller; one sister, Joyce Skiles, Chattanooga Tenn.; and two brothers, Dick Helmer, Groton, SD, and Donald Helmer, Cibolo, Texas; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Beatrice Tobin and Dorothy Sundermeyer; and three brothers, Orville, Norman and Leon Helmer.

