

**Church Schedules**

**Catholic**

*Lismore— Sat. 5 p.m.*

*OLGC-Wilmont—  
Sun. 8:30 a.m.*

*St. Adrian—Sun. 10:30 a.m.*

*Changing Jan 6 & 7*

*St. Ann—5 pm*

*St. Columba 8 am*

*St. Mary LW-10 am*

**Immanuel Lutheran  
Pfingsten-rural Fulda**

(Livestream Sunday worship  
available on Immanuel's  
Facebook page)

**Jan-April**

**Worship 8:30 am**

**Coffee and fellowship  
following worship**

**Presbyterian**

*Lismore -  
Sunday Service—8:45 a.m.*

*Reading—  
Sunday School-9 am*

*Service-10:00 a.m*

*Iona—  
Sunday Service 9 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sunday-Adult  
Bible Study & Sunday School  
Following Service*

Join us for a baby shower honoring Rachel Eggers on Saturday, March 16, 2024 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at the Wilmont Community Center.

Rachel and Evan, parents-to-be, are registered at Amazon.

Instead of a card, the expectant parents would love for you to bring a book with a sweet message inside the cover for their new little one to cherish forever.

Grandparents-to-be are Kurt and Lori Spartz and Terry and Mindy Eggers



Mark your calendars as the Wilmont Booster Club is inviting you to join them on Tuesday, February 20th at 6:30 pm or on Thursday, February 29th at 6:30 pm at the Wilmont Community Center to help plan the 125th Celebration of Wilmont! Please bring your ideas for events or anything else that you would like to see for the Celebration. The Booster Club will be going over the tentative schedule of events both nights. Hope to see you there!!!



The CPR/AED class offered at the Wilmont VFW on 1-31-24 had 53 attendees. 14 of those attending chose to get certified in CPR. We had 5 people from the Wilmont Fire Dept on hand to help with the class and 2 other new members of the fire dept were there to get certified. The fire department also demonstrated the use of a Lucas Device which are now carried in our area ambulances. Many of those that attended had never had a CPR/AED class before. Others were there for a refresher on what to do in an emergency or to learn how to use an AED. The class was taught by Sarah Lenz, an EMS Instructor for EMS Custom Education. Nobles 2 Wind Farm Advised Fund and Southwest Initiative Foundation provided grant funds to support this important class for our area through the VFW.

"TESTIFY: Americana from Slavery to Today," is currently on display through the end of March at the Nobles County Heritage Center, 225 Ninth St., Worthington.

"TESTIFY" is a traveling rendition of an exhibit based on African-American artifacts and artworks from a collection assembled by retired Minnesota Supreme Court justice and former Minnesota Viking Alan Page and his late wife, Diane Sims Page.

The original full exhibit, coordinated by Alan Page's daughter, Georgi Page-Smith, was produced in 2018 and most recently was on display at the Minneapolis Central Library. The traveling version was conceived as a way to share the "TESTIFY" experience with more people across Minnesota. It is a large-format photo display of 17 panels with high-quality photographs of specific items in the Pages' collection, along with historical background and QR codes that connect viewers to audio recordings about each object.

Nobles County Historical Society is supplementing the exhibit with some local items from the NCHS collection.

To showcase this exhibit, NCHS will have a Happy Hour-type reception from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Feb. 22 at the Heritage Center. Beverages and appetizers will be served, and the event is open to the public. The exhibit can also be viewed during open museum hours through the end of March or by special arrangement for groups.

For more information, phone 507-295-5397.

Wilmont Hardware & Lumber is open! The phone number is 507-926-6019. They will carry hardware, tools, spray paint, automobile supplies, cleaning supplies and basic lumber plus a mini convenience store offering cold drinks and snacks.

Please join us to celebrate the 90th Birthday of Bette LeBrun at an Open House on

Saturday, February 17th from 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

at the St. Anthony Church basement  
in Lismore.

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201 Oak Drive, Apt. 403, Luverne MN 56156.



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There's 2 options - the bed race one and the Wilmont celebration one. The bed race shirt color options are white and light grey and the wilmont shirt color options are dark grey and black. The shirt can be order in hoodie sweatshirt, crewneck sweatshirt, long sleeve t-shirt and plain t-shirt. These are very cute with several different designs to select from.



Bill Slater was honored by the members of the Larkin Township board on Sunday February 4th on his retirement from the township board. Bill had been the Larkin Township clerk from 1984 until 2023. Memories were shared about the years serving the township. Current board members include Gary Honermann, Kent Slater, Loren Sieve and Zack Reker. Dave Christians was appointed as replacement clerk—he has big shoes to fill as Bill did a great job! Thanks Bill for all your years serving Larkin township residents.



## Wilmont Fire & Rescue 2023

Front-Eric Joens, Lance Rogers, Adam Vaske, Duane Vaske,  
Rylan Baumhoefner, Steve Joens, Logan Neyens, Deb Vaske.

Back-Josh Balster, Alex Fuerstenberg, Dave Christians, Alan Fuerstenberg,  
Becky Remakel, Dave Reetz, James Joens, Tom Slater, Judy Christians,  
Duane Christians, Matt Dorschner, Melanie Penning.  
Missing—Jordan Brake, Brian Remakel, Isaac Joens



Fighting farm fire



Teamwork



Training is on-going through the year

Your support of the Wilmont Fire & Rescue is greatly appreciated!

Mark your calendar for the 2024 pancake breakfast scheduled for

Sunday March 24 2024

8 am—12 noon

Wilmont VFW

(Snow date April 7, 2024)

Serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, and beverages.

Free Will Donation

Come and enjoy and meet your fire/rescue department members.



The Rock/Nobles Youth Beef Ambassador Program is an opportunity for high school students in grades 10-12, both male and female, to represent the Rock and Nobles County Cattlemen at various events throughout the area and state during 2024. This is a great opportunity to help us promote beef to consumers within our surrounding communities! After serving as an ambassador for a year, a \$500 scholarship will be presented to each ambassador. The application is available on the Wilmont Shopper web site or contact Matt Widboom at [mwidboom@gmail.com](mailto:mwidboom@gmail.com)



## ST. PADDY'S DAY DINNER

Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>

Our Lady of Good Counsel Social Hall  
Wilmont, MN

6:00 PM – Social      6:30 PM – Dinner

Cost: \$15.00 Per Person

Serving a delicious Bacon Wrapped Pork Filet dinner  
with sides, dessert and beverage!

Purchase tickets after any of our weekend Masses or from our parish office (108 E 6<sup>th</sup> Street - Adrian) by March 5<sup>th</sup>. This year's winter get together will include Bingo with prizes! Hosted by St. Adrian, St. Anthony and OLGC churches for parish members and friends from our communities. Proceeds go towards the Youth Mission trip and tuition assistance for St. Mary's School families. All Are Welcome!



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### Wilmont Exercise Group

Mondays & Wednesdays—9 am

Wilmont Community Center

**Welcome to join in!**

Upcoming Events at Wilmont VFW—dates available!

Great place for a reception or meeting!

March 24-Wilmont Fire Dept Fundraiser  
May 27-Memorial Day

June 8 2024-Jenna Slater & Andy Henning wedding

June 29-30—Wilmont Celebration

July 6 2024-Logan McCarvel & Tara Tuin wedding

July 12 2024-Logan Huisman & Taylor Loosbrock wedding

Aug 17-Kurt Christians & Breanna Golda wedding

Aug 24-Dylan Werkman & Anna Post wedding

Sept 21-Hunter Heitkamp & Anna Haper

Booking dates for 2024!

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Coffee in Lismore

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The Lismore Legion Hall is available for rental to the area for graduations, showers, anniversaries etc. Please call the Lismore Bank for rental information and to set up a date.

We always welcome new ladies to the Wilmont Quilting group to sew squares, tie quilts, pattern out quilts, donate thread, baby flannel or material, sheets for backs and middles, offers of cake for coffee after a day of quilting. So you are welcome to join in on the creativity, conversation and fun. We tie at school in Wilmont at 1:00 on most Wednesdays. When in doubt call and check with Carolyn 370-3594. Thank you in advance for any donations and volunteering.

Wilmont Area Quilters

Come join us; Wilmont Senior Citizens:  
Pool every Monday, Wednesday & Friday.

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**Wanted: Donations for the Wilmont Heritage Room**

- 1) Old Wilmont Tribune newspapers:  
(Will make copies and return original if you want it back - already have 1957 - 67)
- 2) Wilmont business promotional gifts - business name on it
- 3) Photos of the town of Wilmont & Wilmont events  
(Scan and email, or copies will be made & original returned.)
- 4) 4 x 6 family pictures for the Wilmont area family photo album
- 5) Obituaries of Wilmont area people
- 6) Scrapbooks from the Wilmont area

Photo albums from the Wilmont area

Call or email me: Audrey Brake 507-472-8267  
aubrake@gmail.com



JOAN MARY WINKEL, age 91, of Worthington, died Tuesday, February 13, 2024, at South Shore Care Center in Worthington. She was born April 5, 1932, in Worthington, to Jake and Mary (Von Holtum) Fath.

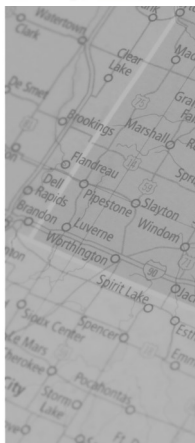
Joan married Marvin Raymond Winkel on February 24, 1990. The two shared a strong love for nature, so much so that they decided to live on Lake Miltona. Marvin and Joan resided there for the rest of their years together. Throughout the years, Marvin and Joan spent their free time camping, fishing, hunting, and gardening. They took many fishing trips to Chamberlain, South Dakota along the Missouri River. In 1999, they had the trip of a lifetime driving all the way to Alaska. They spent many hours enjoying the view of the lake and the wildlife that came to their yard. After Marvin's death on June 3, 2013, Joan moved to Worthington.

Joan is survived by her son, Rodney (Riley) Viessman, Gary, SD; three grandchildren, Payton (Lauren) Viessman, Clear Lake, SD; Parker fiancée, Brooke) Viessman, Sioux Falls, SD; and Presley Viessman, Sioux Falls, SD; a sister, Rosemary Hoffman, Ivanhoe; and many nieces & nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Marvin; two brothers, Al and Floyd Fath; and a sister, Beaty Hoffman.

Visitation will be from noon to 1 pm Saturday, February 17 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Wilmont. Funeral Mass will be 1 pm Saturday at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, in Wilmont, officiated by Monsignor Richard Colletti. Burial will be in the Calvary Cemetery in Wilmont.

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## Years Ago

### Thanks to Audrey Brake for this snapshot in history!

Taken from April 5, 1945 Wilmont Tribune

#### Wilmont

T. Sgt. Leo Spartz, who is stationed somewhere in the Philippines, in a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Spartz, states that he is ok and all is well.

Pfc. John Albersman of the Netherlands, East Indies, has informed his parents that he is confined to the General Hospital there, but that he will see them soon. Albersman, a paratrooper, was slightly wounded recently and expects a furlough. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Albersman.

T. Sgt. Richard Hartman has been promoted to Staff Sergeant according to a letter received Monday by his sister, Mrs. Alphonse Aren. Hartman is the soon Mr. and Mrs. Fredo Hartman. He is stationed at Drew Field Tampa, Florida.

Sgt. Oscar Kuhl, Jr., who is stationed somewhere in the Philippines has been promoted to Staff Sergeant according to word received here Monday by his parents. Better known here as 'Bud', he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kuhl.

Pvt. Marvin Schlichte has written his parents that he is now stationed at Fort Ord in Cal., a recent transfer from Fort Benning, Georgia. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clem Schlichte.

Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Enright are in receipt of a letter Tuesday from their son, Francis, somewhere in Germany, dated March 14, saying that he is well, hoping for the day they can clean up the Germans. He was awarded the Bronze Star, which he is mighty proud of.

Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Gene Iverson and Betty Ann of Fort Crook, Neb. came Sunday to visit in the home of her mother, Mrs. Anna Bremer and her sister, Mrs. Fred dresden and family. Mrs. Iverson and daughter will remain here while her husband is being transferred.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spartz had a letter from their son, Alfred Spartz, who is working n the Aleutian Islands, saying he met his cousin, John Hartman, recently Borth were surprised to see each other as neither knew of their whereabouts.

This is part of a letter from Pfc. Margaret Stuntebeck, WAC, to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stuntebeck. She is stationed somewhere in England. She writes, "I suppose elections are heavy, but these are unusual times, too. War and bombings really blast buildings and land into a mess. There are too many civilians hurt for these countries to take care of all their own people. Even their service people are badly cared for after years of fighting. Our enlisted personnel receive as much pay as a good many of the officers in the Allied Armies. Tell the people to go to church and thank God they're in the U.S.A. and don't have to go out in their gray headed days to scrub floors for a living, thru no fault of their own. Life in an orphanage isn't ideal either, especially after the fright of bombings and lack of supplies to care for the youngsters. It is pathetic to see these school age kids look at ice cream and wonder what it is. Yes, they are beginning to serve it again. Thinking of you". Marge.

Funeral services wee held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church on Wednesday morning, April 4th, for Philomene Reether. Pallbearers were Lawrence Paradise, Joe Bremer, Fred Hurlbut, Carl Hurlbut, S.

Mensen, and Joe Fistman. Philomene Reether, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Reether, was born on Feb. 26, 1890 at Kinglsey, Iowa. When ten years old, she came with her parents and moved on a farm north of St. Kilian, where she lived until four years ago, and has since made her home with her brother, John Reether. She had been ill for a few days and on Friday was taken to the Home Hospital at Slayton. On Saturday morning at 10 o'clock she passed away from double pneumonia. Miss Reether is survived by one brother, and two sisters. They are John Reether of Wilmont, Mrs. Harold Coyer of Rushmore, and Mrs. John Schwab of Fulda. Three brothers, Henry, Frank, and Tony preceded her in death. Burial was made in the Wimont cemetery.

Marcella Probst, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Probst and Peter Reuter Jr.. son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Reuter of Lismore were united in the holy bonds of matrimony on Monday morning, April 2, at 9 o'clock at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church . Rev. J. H. Steger officiated. Maid of honor was the bride's sister, Leona Probst and bridesmaid was another sister, Esther Probst. The groom's attendants were Clarence Reuter of Lismore and Ralph Fuerstenberg of Wilmont. At 5 o'clock dinner was served to 50 relatives and friends at the home of the bride's parents. After April 10th the newlyweds will be at home on a farm west of Lismore.

The Rev. J. H. Steger was honored with a farewell party Sunday evening at the parish hall. The evening's program consisted of several musical numbers by the choir and farewell talks by the visiting clergy. Attendees were: Rev. A. Geminder and Rev. A. Quelled of Adrian, Rev. Hiltner of Lismore, Rev Majeres of Iona, Rev. John Meyers of Fulda, Rev. Joseph Davy of Currie, REv. Clemens Steger of Heron Lake, and Rev. Paul Zeinsbury of Avoca. Father Steger, who has served Our Lady of Good Counsel Church for the past 17 years has accepted a call to the pastorate in Adams, where he relieves the Rev. Joseph Schneider, who resigned due to ill health. Rev. Frank Schimek of Mapleton will succeed Father Steger and is expected to arrive Tuesday.

Local theatre-goers are promised an unusual treat on April 8th at 8 p.m. when the students of Our Lady of Good Counsel High School will present a gay and witty farce comedy. The entire cast has contributed hours of study and effort to make this play one you will be glad you did not miss. 'When Sally Comes to Town' guarantees an evening of carefree, wholesome entertainment for all the family. Don't forget the date, Sunday evening, April 8th. The cast of characters are: Uncle Josh - Leon Sieve, Sally - Mary Ann Schettler, Mrs. Parker - Kathleen Balster, Loring - Donald Pacholl, Esther - Isabella Kuhl, Ruth - Kathleen Hendel, Felicia - Elaine Springman, Theresa - Marie Middendorf, Birdie - Rita Slater, Lord Cecil - Richard Balster, Lance - Vincent Slater.

The annual congregational meeting and potluck will be held at 6:30 on Friday evening, April 6th, at the Presbyterian Church basement.

Sister M. Harriet of Easton and Sister M. Malcolm of Sleepy Eye spent the weekend and Easter Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Josephine Vaske and other relatives.

Mrs. Joseph Hartman, who had been assisting with household duties in the Louie Hoffman home, has returned to her home.

Relatives here have received the news of the death of Barney Honermann, who died Sunday at his home in Adrian.

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## Lismore

Cpl. Gilbert Metz left Sunday evening for Indian Town Gap, Philadelphia, Penn., after spending a short furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Metz.

Ila Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lynn of Lismore and F 1-c James Daly of DesMoines, Iowa were married March 31 in Luverne. Miss Helen Lynn and Clyde Lynn, sister and brother of the bride were attendants. A wedding breakfast was served at the bride's home. The couple left for the East Coast where the bride will make her home until her husband is called for sea duty.

A number of local people attended the wedding dance in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rueter at the Lismore hall Monday evening.

Lt. and Mrs. Milo Kontz of Texas are visiting in the J. J. Kontz home and with other relatives and friends.

Bobbie Wittry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Wittry, was a medical patient in the Adrian hospital for a few days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Klein are the parents of a baby girl born Monday.

Mrs. Henry Schmit and infant daughter came home Monday.

From St. Anthony School: The Senior Class has now only six members. Robert Diekmann left us last week tented the service. He is now at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri.

The Junior-Senior Classes are really busy getting ready for the class play to be held on April 9th.

## St. Kilian

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Menke received the Purple Heart, awarded to their son, Marvin, who died in Belgium on January 30th.

Donald Loosbrock, who spent several days Easter vacation in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Loosbrock, has returned to Onamia to resume his studies at Crosier College there. His cousin, Dwayne Bullerman and M. Goedken of Adrian, accompanied him back to enroll and take up their first year of studies at the college.



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## Photo From the Past

In the January 18 issue of the Shopper there was a photo of a group of young people from Wilmont at a dance, sitting by a table. A message was received by Judy Christians from Bob Arens that the person on the left is not, Alan Gerber. It is Alan's brother, Jim Gerber.

In the January 4th issue of the Shopper there was an entry about a Johnson family moving from the Mike Cruit farm east of Wilmont and a family from Humboldt, S.D. moving onto the farm they vacated. Lois Persing/Bullerman called about this entry and said that they were the family (Leo & Katherine with children Vince, Kathleen, and Lois) who had moved here from Humboldt. They lived there 3 years and Leland was born there. Mike Cruit, who lived in the cities, owned this farm which is straight east of Wilmont in section 5 of Summit Lake Township. Mike Cruit remodeled the house while they lived there.

The photo in this issue is of the 1963 OLGK class of students who visited the John Morrell meat-packing plant in Sioux Falls. Dale Hurlbut shared it with Darwin Hendel, who sent it for use in the Heritage Room. L-R - Back Row: Jim Einck, Leland Persing, Darwin Hendel, Don Baumgartner, Elaine Balster 2nd Row from back: Lois Schmit, Chuck Bohлке, Mary Driessen, Dave Balk, Margie Pacholl, Dale Hurlbut 3rd Row from back: Joe Probst (chaperone), Celia Probst, Connie Larson, Marian Pass, Barb Larson, LaVonne Vaske, Sally Hoffman, Roxie Hoffman (chaperone) Front: Marv Spartz, Bob Probst, Jim Moser, Larry Feit, Harry Scholtes, Wayne Bullerman



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Nobles Cty RSVP Bone Builders Exercise Classes:

Adrian Senior Center—Monday & Thursday at 12:30 pm;

Ellsworth, Oakwood Apartments—Tuesday & Thursday at 8:30 am;

Reading Community Center—Tuesday & Thursday at 9:00 am; (starting again in June)

Round Lake Community Center—Tuesday & Thursday at 10:30 am;

Rushmore Community Center—Monday & Wednesday at 10:00 am; Worthington, American Reformed Church—Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00 am.

New exercisers are welcome at all the classes. People may drop in to try it out or come on a regular schedule. All are welcome. For more information please call: A.C.E. of SW Minnesota/Nobles Co. at 507-295-5262.



**Bone Builders every Tuesday & Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Reading Community Center.**

Need a place to hold a family gathering or a business meeting? Consider the Reading Community Center. Contact Marlys Somnis for details (507) 370-0236.

Wilmont VFW post teamed up with the DAV (Disabled American Veterans) and have clothing drop-off boxes around the area—next to Wilmont Hardware, Lismore Legion, two by Ace Hardware in Worthington, one by Peterson Cleaning next to Graham Tire in Worthington and in Rushmore across from the bank.

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The next Wilmont Shopper is scheduled for Thursday February 29. Please send information by Tuesday February 27th by 5 pm. Information can be sent to [judy@wilmontshopper.com](mailto:judy@wilmontshopper.com), [dchristi185@gmail.com](mailto:dchristi185@gmail.com) or call evenings 472-8412 or mail to 19503 160th St. Wilmont 56185

If you submit something, please look to make sure I have it included. Judy Christians



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Remember to take advantage of the Lending Library located in the Lismore City Hall. There have been donations to the lending library where you can stop and take a look and borrow a book. The library is available for all ages. Come take a look!

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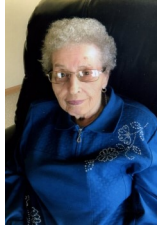
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LORRAINE MAE (HUTT) HOFFMAN, 94, of Wilmont, died Saturday, February 3, 2024, at the Murray County Hospice in Slayton. She was born July 20, 1929, in Ellsworth, to John Jr. and Nadine (Carr) Hutt. She graduated from Worthington High School in 1948.



Lorraine married Tom Hoffman on June 21, 1949 at St. Kilian Catholic Church, rural Wilmont. After their marriage, Lorraine worked side by side with Tom on the family farm. They retired from farming in 1989. The couple spent twenty five winters in Apache Junction, AZ. After Tom's death on March 19, 2011, Lorraine moved to the Meadows, in Worthington, and resided there until August 24, 2023. She then moved to Murray County Hospice and resided there until her death.

She was a member of St. Kilian Catholic Church; and a lifelong sixty year plus Extension Project member. She enjoyed bridge, bowling, traveling, eating out, casino trips, visiting with friends and spending time with her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Lorraine is survived by her four children, Yvonne (Donald) Sieve, Worthington, MN; Douglas (Judy) Hoffman, Apache Junction, AZ; Barbara (Clyde) Smith, Wilmont, MN; and Roger (and special friend, Sandi) Avoca, MN; six grandchildren, Todd & Troy Hoffman; Chad & Jeremy Smith; and Theresa Voth & Tammy Hammann; ten great-grandchildren, Derek, TJ & Claire Hoffman; Justin & Jared Smith; Jade, Jacey & Makenzie Smith; and Joe Voth & Kyle Nichols; four great-great-grandchildren, Adelaide & Evelyn Hoffman; Kennedy Nichols; and Layton Smith; a brother, Wayne Hutt; and a sister-in-law, Joyce Hutt.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Tom; sister, Marcelline (Bob) Merillat; brother, Gerald "Jerry" Hutt; granddaughter-in-law, Sarah Hoffman; and a sister-in-law, Lyla Hutt.

Funeral mass was held at St. Kilian Catholic Church in St. Kilian; officiated by Monsignor Richard Colletti. Burial was at the St. Kilian Cemetery.

Maurice Odenbrett, the son of Bernard and Elizabeth (Einck) Odenbrett, was born on April 1, 1945 in Fulda, MN. He grew up in Fulda and attended St. Gabriel's Catholic School and graduated from the Fulda High School in 1963. Maurice was united in marriage to Caroline Nepper in April of 1968 at Our Lady of Good Council Catholic Church in Wilmont, MN. After their marriage they lived on the family farm northeast of Fulda where they raised their 2 children. Maurice was a farmer by trade and continued farming until his retirement in 2004. In 2022 they moved to Brookings, SD to be near their daughter. Maurice passed away on Monday, February 5, 2024 at the Brookings Hospital at the age of 78. He was a member of St. Gabriel's Catholic Church in Fulda, where he had served as a trustee for 11 years, the finance committee, chairman of the cemetery board and singing in the choir. He also served as a Belfast Township Supervisor and South Dakota Soybean Processor Board member. He loved trains and had a full room with a set he built from the ground up. You could find multiple trains running at a time. His obsession were the engines and would travel anywhere to see one in person. One of his many talents was woodworking, he made many bedroom sets, candelabras and multiple other things. Maurice was able to travel to two areas that were on his bucket list, Rome, Italy and Alaska. His greatest joys were his kids, grandkids and great-grandkids.

Survivors include his wife, Caroline Odenbrett of Brookings, SD; children, Andrea (Steve) Hogie of Brookings, SD and Luke (Rochelle) Odenbrett of Brandon, SD; grandchildren, Anastasia (Brad) Pabst of Eugene, OR, Chantel (Austin) Hoerner of Rapid City, SD, Brittney Hogie (Noah Drew) of Brookings, SD, Noah (Ellie) Odenbrett of Brookings, SD, Sadie Odenbrett (Calvin Lipetzky) of Egan, MN and Olivia Odenbrett of Brandon, SD; great-grandchildren, Jaxon and Landon Pabst and Oliver Hoerner. He is preceded in death by his parents, brothers, David (Alfredia) Odenbrett and Thomas (Colleen) Odenbrett and sister, Mary (Danny) Klosterman. Funeral services were held at St. Gabriel's Catholic Church in Fulda with burial at St. Gabriel's cemetery, Fulda.

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Feb 17-CANCELLED—Wilmont Community Rummage CANCELLED  
Feb 17-Happy 90th Birthday Bette LeBrun, 1:30-4 pm, St. Anthony Church Basement  
Feb 20-Wilmont 125th planning meeting, 6:30 pm, Wilmont community center  
Feb 22-Testify: Americana from slavery to Today, reception, 5-6:30 pm, Nobles County Historical Center  
Feb 28-Crop Insurance Agency Meeting, lunch 12 noon, meeting 12:30 pm, Wilmont Community Center, RSVP by Feb 19  
Feb 29-Wilmont 125th planning meeting, 6:30 pm, Wilmont Community Center  
March 9-St. Paddy's Day Dinner, 6 pm social, 6:30 pm dinner, OLCG Wilmont  
March 16-Baby shower for Rachel Eggers, 1-3 pm, Wilmont Community Center  
March 24-Wilmont Fire Department Fundraiser, 8 am-12 noon, Wilmont VFW  
March 24-Rushmore Fire Department Fundraiser, 9 am-1 pm, Rushmore School Gym  
April 23—American Red Cross Blood Drive, 12:30-6:30, Lismore Legion

Mark your calendars—Wilmont 125th Celebration is planned for June 28-29-30 2024. Get your bed races bed out of the shed and start thinking about your parade entry!

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