



## Elaine Marie Begger

March 6, 1932 - May 6, 2026

Elaine Marie Begger, age 94 of Wibaux, Montana passed away on Wednesday, May 6, 2026 at the Wibaux County Nursing Home in Wibaux. A Vigil Service will be held at 6:00 PM on Monday, May 18, 2026 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Wibaux. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Wibaux. Rite of Committal will be in the Wibaux Cemetery. Silha Funeral Home of Wibaux has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Elaine was born on March 6, 1932 in Wibaux County Montana to John and Mabel Kahl. She attended school at the Lynn, Brophy and Yates Schools. She went to high school in Golva, North Dakota for two years and graduated as Valedictorian from Wibaux County High School in 1950.

Elaine married Harry Begger on October 3, 1950. They had nine children. Robert, Cynthia, Linda, William, Susan, Laureen, Joyce, Andrew and Jerry. Harry and Elaine farmed and ranched southwest of St. Phillip until 1981 when they moved closer to Wibaux, still on a farm. In 1973, they began raising registered Simmental cattle. In 1976, they incorporated as Begger's Diamond V Ranch, Inc. with two sons, Robert and William. The corporation has had an annual bull sale every February for the past 50 years, Elaine worked at the Wibaux Elementary School for twelve years assisting with the special education program and as a librarian. She made many friends

with co-workers and students.

She was very active in many organizations. She served on the Wibaux County Fair Board for thirty years and was chairman for 25 of those years. She was a 4-H leader for thirty years and guided her children and grandchildren with their 4-H projects. She was very active in the Catholic Daughters of the Americas and held every local and state office being State Regent for four years. She was a member of the Wibaux County Nursing Home Board. She belonged to many organizations and was always willing to lend a hand in community service. She was very active in St. Phillip and St. Peter's Catholic Churches. She taught CCD and was active in the Cum Cristo movement.

Mom was the shining example of unconditional love. She lived her life as an example of a devoted loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was a woman of faith, had a competitive spirit, was a hard worker with a giving heart. She put her family and faith at the center of everything. She loved her kids, grandkids and great grandkids with all her heart. She also had a great sense of humor and was not afraid to use it. She was the best cook and loved to garden, quilt and help others. Mom made everyone feel loved and valued. She was the first to show up with a meal to those who lost someone or was in need. She guided us all to be better people. Our hearts are broken but we rejoice knowing that she is reunited with Dad and in the arms of Jesus, the greatest Comforter of all.

Elaine is survived by her children Cindy (Jim) Sletten of Black Hawk, SD; Linda (Wayne) Beddow of Missoula, MT; Bill (Darlene) Begger of Wibaux, MT; Susan Begger of Billings, MT; Laureen (Lee) Murphree of Glendive, MT; Joyce (Frank) Hollowell of Billings, MT; Andy (Gwen) Begger of Harlowton, MT and Jerry (Dianna) Begger of Billings, MT, her daughter-in-law, Virginia Begger of Wibaux, MT; twenty-eight grandchildren and sixty-six great grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister Marcella Wiseman, her brother, Chuck (Judy)

Kahl, and sisters-in-law Sherry Kahl, Jan Champion and Anisa Begger.

Elaine was preceded in death by her loving husband, Harry Begger of 71 years, her son Bob Begger, grandson Mark Sletten, great grandchildren Tate Begger and Hallie Morosko, her parents, her brothers, Erwin Kahl, Robert Kahl and John Kahl, her sisters Clara Hunter, Bernice Kreitinger and Valeria Burnosky.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: [www.silhafuneralhomes.com](http://www.silhafuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Wibaux Cemetery

Wibaux, MT 59353

# Upcoming Events

## Vigil Service

MAY 18. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (MT)

St. Peter's Catholic Church  
313 1st Avenue Southwest  
Wibaux, MT 59353

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

St. Peter's Catholic Church  
313 1st Avenue Southwest  
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# Tribute Wall

DV

“ *Deb and Pete Vogel lit a candle in memory of Elanie Begger*



Deb and Pete Vogel - Yesterday at 09:21 PM

LI

“ *RIP Elaine.....you were the kindest woman I met. Always enjoyed visiting with you.*



Lynn Ingraham - Yesterday at 01:32 PM

AR

“ *Andeen Raymond lit a candle in memory of Elanie Begger*



Andeen Raymond - Yesterday at 11:37 AM

BK

“ *Bea Koppinger lit a candle in memory of Elanie Begger*



Bea Koppinger - May 07 at 10:59 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Elaine Marie Begger.*



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May 07 at 07:43 PM



“ *Carol Hanson sent a virtual gift in memory of Elanie Begger*



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**Carol Hanson** - May 07 at 07:33 PM



*May she rest in peace!*

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**John M Smith** - Yesterday at 10:59 AM