



Laura J. Mindt

August 25, 1932 - March 14, 2026

Laura Joanne (Hoffer) Mindt, 93, of Glendive, Montana, passed away on Saturday, March 14, 2026, at Glendive Medical Center Extended Care. Visitation will be held from 6 PM to 8 PM Thursday, March 19, 2026, at Silha Funeral Home in Glendive with a Rosary and Vigil Service to follow at 7 PM. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 AM, Friday, March 20, 2026, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Francis Schreiber officiating. Rite of Committal will follow in Dawson Memorial Cemetery. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with arrangements.

Laura was born August 25, 1932, in Richardton, North Dakota, the daughter of Edward and Marcellyne (Schatz) Hoffer. Laura grew up on a farm in the Hebron, North Dakota, area. She was proud to say she helped in the harvest activities, including operating haying equipment and driving a grain truck. After graduating from Hebron High School in 1951, she taught in rural elementary schools for three years in the Glen Ullin, North Dakota, area. It was during this time that she met her future husband, Clifford Mindt, while obtaining room and board with his parents. They were married June 3, 1954, in Glen Ullin.

Laura and Clifford were blessed with their first child, Mary, in July of 1955. Shortly thereafter they moved to Glendive where Clifford started his more than 20-year career owning and operating Texaco Gas Stations. The Mindt family grew quickly with six more boys joining the very busy household. Later on, the

family would occasionally be reminded of all the work involved with cloth diapers and NO microwave oven! Laura's children all gratefully acknowledge the many sacrifices their parents made in order for all them to attend Sacred Heart Elementary School, and they also are thankful for Laura's dedication in regularly taking the family to Sunday Mass.

Laura was involved in church activities for many years. These included working as parish secretary, Catholic Daughters, and CCW. She also enjoyed being a member of The Local Women of The Moose, and she spent many hours volunteering at the hospital gift shop.

It is no stretch to say Laura was the rock of the Mindt family, and she loved being at home in the warm and caring household she created for her family. She had the softest hands and heart—especially when it came to new additions to the family. The Mindt family wishes to acknowledge the blessing of the care Laura received in her 12 years living at The Heritage as well as her recent friendship with Gladys there. The GMC Extended Care providers' and staff's kindness and care were also greatly appreciated by the family.

“We certainly miss all about you, Mom, especially your prayers and quiet love!!”

Laura was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 65 years, Clifford Mindt, in 2020; son, James; daughter-in-law, Diane Mindt; brother, Roy Hoffer; and sister, Alice Townsend.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary (John) Kouba, Rapid City, SD; son, Vern (Connie) Mindt, Sidney, MT; son, Wayne Mindt, Glendive; son, Dean (Shelly) Mindt of Glendive, MT; son, Kenny (Marie) Mindt of Pasco, WA; her son, Ryan Mindt, Great Falls, MT; 17 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.SilhaFuneralHomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Dawson Memorial Cemetery

2816 West Towne Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Homes - Glendive, Montana
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Rosary/Vigil Service

MAR 19. 7:00 PM (MT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

MAR **20**. 10:00 AM (MT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
316 West Benham Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Tribute Wall

DB

“ *My condolences to the family of Laura Mindt at this difficult time. Thinking of you, Mary.*



Denise Borntreger - March 25 at 10:03 PM

MW

“ *Mark And Sheryl Walsh lit a candle in memory of Laura J. Mindt*



Mark and Sheryl Walsh - March 21 at 05:08 PM

SS

“ *Sorry For Alls Loss*



Susan Nentwig Schwindt - March 19 at 10:11 AM

MS

“ *I have fond memories of my wonderful church friend, Laura. We were growing our families at the same time in Glendive, me with my five and Laura with her seven (until little James passed). Thinking of all Laura's and Cliff's children at this time.*
Millie Sullivan

Millie Sullivan - March 18 at 05:39 PM

JB

“ *The Sullivan and Mindt families first crossed paths through Sacred Heart Church and School. Thinking of Laura Mindt, what comes to mind is her kitchen in the Mindt house in East Glendive. I spent many a time at that house with sleepovers with Mary. They had a bench table in the kitchen, Mrs. Mindt had a flour bin, which I found fascinating. She would make what seemed like hundreds of buns for sandwiches. They tasted good. She had the same name as my sister, Laura. Also a fond memory. Sleepovers at the Mindts was always fun, made more so by Mrs Mindt. Sending blessings to all the Mindts as she certainly was a blessing to her family and those she crossed paths with in her life.*

Jeanette Sullivan Bloom - March 18 at 05:17 PM

LL

“ *love Marie Debbie Scott and Liam purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Laura J. Mindt.*



love Marie Debbie Scott and Liam - March 18 at 04:37 PM

DV

“ *Mindt Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time 🙏🕊️🙏 Laura was a beautiful person, inside and out and so funny.*



Deb Pete Vogel - March 17 at 11:31 PM

NS

“ *Norma Shearer lit a candle in memory of
Laura J. Mindt*



Norma Shearer - March 17 at 04:56 PM

BT

“ *Minds Family I so sorry for your loss! She was
such a soft spoken and caring lady. Cherish
your Memories and hold them close!
RIP
Becky Chouinard Tipton*



Becky Tipton - March 17 at 04:47 PM

CP

“ *Condolences to all Laura's family. Cherish those many fond
memories.*

Cherise Patterson - March 17 at 03:07 PM

AR

“ *Andeen A Raymond lit a candle in memory of
Laura J. Mindt*



Andeen A Raymond - March 17 at 01:30 PM

J(

“ Dear Vern, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your Mama. My own Mama passed in 2021, and I miss her every day. I didn't know you well in high school, but I know what it's like to be an orphan, no matter how old we are. Thinking of you and all your family.

JoJo (Jonutis)Herem - March 17 at 01:22 AM

DC

“ I was so blessed to meet Miss Laura in 2023 at the Heritage, while visiting my mother. She was such a spunky lady. I visited with her often and she told me about her wonderful family and husband. She was sharp as attack and always gave me a funny remark. I last remember her and class sitting in the south wing of the Heritage and looking out at the beautiful flowers through the window. She will always have a place in my heart along with all the other beautiful people from Heritage. rejoice in all the beautiful memories you made with your mother and know she's watching down over you.

Diane Crockett - March 16 at 06:34 PM

DC

“ I met Miss Laura at the Heritage in 2023, along with all the other beautiful, wonderful ladies there, including my mother. She was such a spunky, little lady, and we had many conversations where she told me about all her children and her husband. One of my last memories of her was her and Gladys setting in the south wing looking out the window. They look like too happy peas in a pod. This is one of those cases where somebody may come into your life for a short time but they leave that lasting memory fly. Hi Laura sweet lady.



Diane Crockett - March 16 at 06:23 PM

JD

“ Wayne and families, we are so very sorry for the loss of your Mom.



Jodi Dobson - March 16 at 06:08 PM

JS

“ She was a definite joy to take care of, and so appreciative of the care she received. My thoughts and prayers are with you all -Jess (aka rusty)

jess swanson - March 16 at 05:55 PM

JB

“ Jim And Alice Bachmeier lit a candle in memory of Laura J. Mindt



Jim and Alice bachmeier - March 16 at 03:23 PM

KH

“ Mary, Vern, Wayne, Dean, Kenny, Ryan and families - May the many wonderful memories of your mom bring you comfort in the coming days. I feel very blessed to have known Laura for many years, I especially loved visiting with her, hearing updates about the family and her sense of humor. If ever a sweet lady earned her wings, she definitely did! I am certain there was a joyous, heavenly reunion awaiting her. Thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Kristine Hubbard - March 16 at 11:56 AM