



Mary Kay Barthel

October 29, 1949 - December 31, 2023

Mary Kay Barthel, age 74 of Wibaux, Montana passed away on Sunday, December 31, 2023 at the Wibaux County Nursing Home in Wibaux. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11:00 AM on Saturday, January, 6, 2024 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Golva, North Dakota with Fr. Nicholas Vetter officiating. Rite of Committal will be in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Golva. Silha Funeral Home of Beach, North Dakota has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Mary was born on October 29, 1949 to her parents, Delphine and Dorothy (Zielinski) Barthel in Bismarck, North Dakota. The family farmed and raised dairy cattle southeast of Golva, and Mary grew up there on the family farm, helping with all of the chores. She graduated high school and went on to further her education in Minneapolis, Minnesota. It was in Minneapolis that Mary met Richard Schowalter. After Richard passed, she moved back to Wibaux with DJ.

Mary was an accomplished baker and cook. She loved doing crafts. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Delphine and Dorothy; her husband, Richard Schowalter; four infant siblings and one brother, Jim Barthel.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Dorothy J. "DJ" Schowalter (Chris Martin) of Glendive, Montana; two grandchildren, Hunter and Hadlie; one brother, Richard (Judy) Barthel of Lead, South Dakota; one sister, Diana (Lewis) Dobrowski of Beach and numerous nieces and nephews.

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

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

Golva, ND

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 6. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
405 Gass Street
Golva, ND

Tribute Wall

LK

“ *Mary was a sweet girl. Saw her a few times after High School years, pleasant and thought, rest well, Mary, enjoy heaven and the saints.*
Loraine Susa Kaul

Loraine Kaul - January 07, 2024 at 09:49 PM

BM

“ *My sympathy to the Barthel family in losing Mary. I had so much fun with her when we milked cows together in the summer months while her Dad was busy with haying.*
We had alot of laughs rounding up those milk cows before milking. I will forever cherish these memories of Mary. Rest in Peace Mary

Brenda Maus - January 06, 2024 at 01:04 AM

LZ

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Mary Kay's passing. I went to 2 yrs of grade school at Burkey. Her Mom was our teacher. Mary was a very sweet person. We had alot of fun learning, playing on the playground and extending our recess by going exploring. May Mary rest in the arms of Jesus. May God comfort all who loved her as family and friends.*
Linda (Finneman) Zimney of Loveland, Co.

Linda M Zimney - January 04, 2024 at 03:39 PM

BT

“ *DJ I'm so sorry for your loss!*
Becky (Chouinard) Tipton

Becky Tipton - January 02, 2024 at 08:14 PM

NT

“ DJ I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. Thoughts and prayers to you and the rest of your family.



Noreen Turnquist - January 02, 2024 at 10:13 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Kay Barthel.



January 02, 2024 at 05:21 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Kay Barthel.



January 01, 2024 at 10:26 PM

LF

“ Love Debbie Michaud and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Kay Barthel.

Love Debbie Michaud and family - January 01, 2024 at 10:26 PM

MB

“ Rest in peace Mary! I have so many memories growing up close to Mary, we spent many hours playing as kids, swimming in their pool and family gatherings.

We won't be able to attend the funeral but you will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Marina Bares

Marina Bares - January 01, 2024 at 08:13 PM

ST

“ Stacy lit a candle in memory of Mary Barthel



Stacy - January 01, 2024 at 07:11 PM

KC

“ Karen Czech lit a candle in memory of Mary Barthel



Karen Czech - January 01, 2024 at 05:22 PM

DE

“ Dawn Mark Egan lit a candle in memory of Mary Barthel



Dawn and Mark Egan - January 01, 2024 at 04:38 PM