



## Virginia Emma Tennant

November 5, 1940 - March 20, 2023

Virginia Emma Tennant, age 82 of Glendive, Montana passed away on Monday, March 20, 2023 at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care. Visitation will be from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM on Sunday, March 26, 2023 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Funeral services will be at 10:00 AM on Monday, March 27, 2023 at Zion Lutheran Church with Pastor Avis Anderson officiating. Interment will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements. Virginia was born on a wheat and barley farm outside of Beulah, North Dakota, November 5, 1940. Her parents were John and Emma Bauer. Her dad was a coal miner. They also had three other daughters; Ella, Alice and Delilah. Virginia was the only child to go to high school. When she started school, she couldn't speak English because her family spoke only German at home. Her dad was never able to speak English so Virginia and her mom and sisters learned so they could help him with letters and business things. Virginia graduated from Beulah, North Dakota in 1959. After graduation, she came to Glendive for her cousins wedding and never went home. She decided to stay here in Glendive and later she married Ted Tennant on June 3, 1961. Together they had seven children, 22 grandchildren, and 15 great grandchildren, with two on the way. Virginia's favorite color was green. She loved trees, gardening and camping. A couple of her favorite trees were Ash and Weeping Willows. She would always plant carrots, tomatoes, peppers, and so much more. Virginia loved to play

bingo. She had a musical side and loved to play the piano, accordion and clarinet, her favorite being the accordion. Virginia had a guitar that came from her great aunt, which was over 100 years old. As a kid people used to call her a song bird. Virginia learned to cook the best German foods from her mom. Her husband was a hunter and he would take Virginia with and show her what to do. After they had sons, he started taking the boys out when they were old enough.

She was proud of her dad, known to be very hard working and honest. He wanted his girls to have jobs and be hard workers as well. She started off babysitting after high school. Then during her junior year of high school, she started working as the popcorn girl at the movie theater. When she moved to Glendive, she was a waitress at a cafe for a little while and then moved next door to be a switchboard operator.

After her and her husband had their children, she decided to become a full time stay at home mom to her seven children as her husband worked on the railroad away from home a lot of the time. She was always busy on the farm and helping her children with activities and sports. After her children were mostly grown, she enjoyed driving the bowling bus. She also loved to watch game shows. This may be why she was always sharp as a tack!

Virginia was preceded in death by: parents John and Emma Bauer, sisters Ella Madche, Alice Renk, and Delilah Herman, Ted Tennant, grandchildren Jordan Jacob Werdal, Wyatt Tennant.

Virginia was survived by: Her children Pat (Cindy) Tennant, Tarena (Ted) Stortz, Mike Tennant, Shawn (Christie) Tennant, Nadine (Jerome) Brown, Jennifer Werdal, and Clay (Cindy) Tennant; Grandchildren: Tyler Tennant, Christina Tennant, Chelsea Stortz, Robbie Stortz, Tate Stortz, Ben Stortz, Tyrell Tennant, Austin Tennant, Courtney Tennant, Bailey Palmer, Garrent Tennant, Linsday Tennant, Dillon Tennant, Seth Brown, Chase Brown, Jessie Werdal, Cole Werdal, Eli Tennant, Emmett Tennant, and Erik Tennant, 15 (with two on the way) great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at: [www.silhaf](http://www.silhaf)

[uneralhomes.com](http://uneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Dawson County Cemetery

Corner of North Sargent Ave. and East Allard  
Street  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **26.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Homes - Glendive, Montana  
221 N. Meade Avenue  
P.O. Box 848  
Glendive, MT 59330  
(406) 377-2622  
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<https://www.silhafuneralhomes.com>

## Funeral Service

MAR **27.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Zion Lutheran Church  
401 Riverview Avenue  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Tribute Wall



“ Prayers for the Tennant family.

JACK HANSON - December 30, 2023 at 01:24 PM



“ Ron MJ Doll



Ron MJ Doll - March 26, 2023 at 07:58 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Virginia Emma Tennant.



March 26, 2023 at 11:30 AM



Andeen Raymond

“ Andeen Raymond lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant



Andeen Raymond - March 25, 2023 at 02:21 PM

PN

“ We will miss aunt Virginia very much. It was so fun to see the excitement on her face when we brought her Fleischkuechle and Knoepf soup last October. I will cherish the many fond memories I have.

Pam Nygaard - March 25, 2023 at 01:31 AM

BT

“ To all the Tennant Family! I'm sorry to hear about your Mom, she was one of a kind! Enjoyed visting with Virginia at baseball fields! Cherish your Memories!

Becky Tipton - March 24, 2023 at 07:03 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Virginia Emma Tennant.



March 24, 2023 at 03:49 PM

BS

“ Bob Kristie Stanhope lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant



Bob & Kristie Stanhope - March 24, 2023 at 09:07 AM

KP

“ *Krista Page lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant*



**Krista Newton Page** - March 24, 2023 at 01:37 AM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Virginia Emma Tennant.*



March 23, 2023 at 10:43 PM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Virginia Emma Tennant.*



March 23, 2023 at 10:39 PM

MC

“ *Mark Rachel Clapp lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant*



**Mark & Rachel Clapp** - March 23, 2023 at 06:04 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Virginia Emma Tennant.*



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March 23, 2023 at 04:09 PM



“ *LuAnn Price lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant*



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**LuAnn Price** - March 23, 2023 at 10:26 AM



“ *A lot of great memories of Virginia from my younger years. I often came along with my sister Jacki when she would babysit the Tennant kids. I always enjoyed seeing Virginia & stopping for a visit. Prayers & hugs to all of her family.*

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**Arnell Schmidt Wagner** - March 22, 2023 at 09:36 PM



“ *Eula Langton lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant*



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**Eula Langton** - March 22, 2023 at 04:44 PM

CH

“ Carol Hanson lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant



Carol Hanson - March 22, 2023 at 04:08 PM

LF

“ Linda Frank lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant



Linda Frank - March 22, 2023 at 02:24 PM

JB

“ jim alice bachmeier lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant



jim and alice bachmeier - March 22, 2023 at 11:54 AM

NK

“ Virginia was a member of the Hannah Circle at Zion Lutheran church for a short time. I was always impressed how well she knew scripture and could relate to the topics that was in our studies. I also knew her son while working at the hospital and how friendly he was. Then I got very lucky to live next door to her grandson. My condolences go out to each of you.



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**NANCY KORB** - March 22, 2023 at 10:12 AM

JJ

“ jane jarvis lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant



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**jane jarvis** - March 22, 2023 at 01:27 AM

PV

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Tennant family at this difficult time 🙏



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**Pete and Deb Vogel** - March 22, 2023 at 12:31 AM

CA

“ I am so sorry for you're loss. Keeping you all in my prayers. †



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**Carol** - March 21, 2023 at 10:58 PM

PZ

“ My heart goes out to Virginia's family. I am sure she is proud of the wonderful and hard working kids she raised. Rest in peace.



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**Penny Zimmerman** - March 21, 2023 at 08:00 PM

CP

“ Condolences to Virginia's family. Cherish all the fun memories.

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**CHERISE PATTERSON** - March 21, 2023 at 07:10 PM

VP

“ Virginia Kelly Pulse sent a virtual gift in memory of Virginia Tennant



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**Virginia & Kelly Pulse** - March 21, 2023 at 06:15 PM

MM

“ *Marla McCormick lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant*




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**Marla McCormick** - March 21, 2023 at 04:36 PM

LF

“ *Linda Frank lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant*



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**Linda Frank** - March 21, 2023 at 04:12 PM

  
Andeen  
Raymond

“ *Andeen Raymond lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant*



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**Andeen Raymond** - March 21, 2023 at 02:34 PM

LD

“ *Linda Deines lit a candle in memory of Virginia Tennant*



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**Linda Deines** - March 21, 2023 at 01:40 PM