



Carol Jean (Wirtz) Liesener, 75, peacefully passed away on Sunday, August 17th, 2025 surrounded by her family after a courageous battle with Alzheimer's Disease.

Carol was born on December 21st, 1949 to Matt and Audrey (Elsbernd) Wirtz in Crosby, ND. They made their home in Crosby, Powers Lake and Ray, ND. She graduated from Ray High School in 1968. After high school, Carol and her best and eventual sister-

in-Law, Gloria (Liesener) Norby, attended New York Hairstyle Academy in Fargo, ND. Upon graduating from the academy, she returned to Ray and married the love of her life, Milan Ray Liesener on October 17th, 1969. Together they had two wonderful children, Chad and Missy (Melissa). She was a loving spouse and mother and will always be remembered for her caring, compassionate and spunky personality.

Carol held many different jobs throughout her life. Most of which were in sales, but her most meaningful jobs involved helping disadvantaged people, which she excelled at. Her family was her most important job of all and she took that very seriously. She was a doting grandma of three amazing boys, Brett, Brady and Caleb, whom she fiercely defended. Just ask anyone at their sporting events!

Carol enjoyed camping, fishing with her family and countless trips to visit her parents and siblings in Montana. Some of her passions were garage sale-ing, tending to her flowers and cooking for her family.

Her faith was very important to her throughout her life and she passed that onto her husband and children.

Carol is survived by her loving husband, Milan of 55 years; son, Chad Liesener of Denver, CO; daughter, Melissa (Chuck) Doeden of Williston, ND and their sons, Brett Doeden (Maegan Marmon) of Missoula, MT, Brady Doeden (Brooklyn Haug) of Grand Forks, ND and Caleb Doeden of Missoula, MT; brothers, Ken (Mary) Wirtz of Bozeman, MT, Brad (Laurie) Wirtz of Twin Falls, ID, and Dan (Stacy) Wirtz of Helena, MT; sister, Valerie Hawkins of Helena, MT; and numerous nieces and nephews, whom were all a very important part of her life.

Carol was preceded in death by her parents, Matt & Audrey (Elsbernd) Wirtz; and brothers; Barry Wirtz and Craig Wirtz (who passed away in early childhood.)

In Loving
M E M O R Y



Carol Jean Liesener

December 21, 1949

August 17, 2025





God looked around his garden
And found an empty space.
 He then looked down upon this earth
And saw your loving face.
 He put His arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
 God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.
 He knew that you were suffering
He knew that you were in pain.
 He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.
 The path before you was difficult
So he closed your tired eyes.
 He whispered to you "Peace be thine"
And gave you wings to fly.
 Lying so peaceful and calm
And free of any pain.
 We would not wish you back to earth
To suffer once again.
 You left us beautiful memories
Your love is still our guide.
 And though we can not see you
You are always at our side.
 It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone.
 For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.

Carol Jean Liesener

Born to Matt & Audrey Wirtz
 December 21, 1949 ~ Crosby, North Dakota

Returned to Her Heavenly Father
 August 17, 2025 ~ Williston, North Dakota

Funeral Mass

Tuesday, August 26, 2025 at 11:00 AM
 St. Joseph's Catholic Church
 Williston, North Dakota

Officiating

Father Paul Eberle

Reader

Brett Doeden

Readings

Isaiah 25: 6a, 7-9 Romans 6: 3-4, 8-9
 Matthew 11: 25-30

Music

"How Great Thou Art" ~ "Shepherd Me, O God"
 "Hallelujah" ~ "Be Not Afraid" ~ "Ave Maria"
 "Amazing Grace"

Emily Driscoll ~ Musician

Pallbearers

Brett Doeden	Brady Doeden	Caleb Doeden
Ken Wirtz	Brad Wirtz	Dan Wirtz

Gift Bearers

Brady Doeden Caleb Doeden

Final Resting Place

Thursday, August 28, 2025 at 11:00 AM
 Riverview Cemetery ~ Williston, North Dakota

Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home ~ Williston, ND

