



Inez Harles

November 3, 1932 - January 7, 2023

Inez M. Harles, 90, of Fergus Falls, died Saturday, January 7, 2023 at Park Gardens in Fergus Falls.

Inez Mary Milbeck was born November 3, 1932 in Fergus Falls, to Richard and Mary (Riekenberg) Milbeck. She attended District 145 in Maplewood Township through the eighth grade. She grew up on a farm on the west side of Tonseth Lake. Her parents purchased a farm by Eddy Lake near the Riekenberg Farm.

On October 28, 1950, Inez married Leo “Bud” Harles at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Elizabeth. Inez moved to Norfolk, VA with her sister-in-law, Cathy, while Bud served in the US Navy. Following his discharge, the couple returned to rural Fergus Falls and began their life dairy farming. In 1960 they purchased the Harles farm in Elizabeth Township. The couple moved to Fergus Falls in 2014.

She was a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Elizabeth and the Christian Mother’s. Her interests included reading, sewing, baking, and cooking. She enjoyed taking family vacations. She also enjoyed being at Eddy Lake and spending time with friends, neighbors, and all of their family.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Richard and Mary Milbeck; brother, Richard Milbeck, and her husband, Leo “Bud” Harles.

Inez is survived by her children, Rebekah (Dan) Lee of Fergus Falls, Christine (Curtis) Peasley of Erhard, and Teresa (Gregg) Dutcher of Erhard; seven grandchildren, David (Ashley) Lee, Anna (Kris) Rethwisch, Josie (Blake) Krein, Elizabeth (David) Faville, Joseph (Breanna Larson) Peasley, Amanda Dutcher, and Sarah Dutcher; eight great-grandchildren; sister, Lois (Roger) Bratlien; brother, Eugene (Dorene) Milbeck, sister-in-law, Laura Milbeck, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Thursday, January 12, 2023 at Olson Funeral Home in Fergus Falls, with prayer service at 6:30 p.m. Visitation will resume one-hour prior to the service at the church.

Mass of Christian Burial: 11:00 a.m. Friday, January 13, 2023 at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Elizabeth, MN

Clergy: Father Alan Wielinski and Deacon Chuck Kampa

Interment: St. Elizabeth Cemetery, Elizabeth, MN, at a later date

Arrangements provided by Olson Funeral Home in Fergus Falls.

Online condolences may be sent to www.olsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Elizabeth Cemetery

Elizabeth, MN

Today's Events

Visitation

JAN **12**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Olson Funeral Home
711 Pebble Lake Road
Fergus Falls, MN 56537
info@olsonfuneralhome.com
<https://www.olsonfuneralhome.com>

Prayer Service

JAN **12**. 6:30 PM (CT)

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Fergus Falls, MN 56537
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Upcoming Events

Visitation

JAN **13**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church
706 W. Pleasant Ave.
Elizabeth, MN

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

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706 W. Pleasant Ave.
Elizabeth, MN

Tribute Wall

RH

“ *To My Wonderful Cousins: It is with a heavy heart that we share in your loss of Inez. Hoping memories will help you through your trying days ahead. Rest in Peace Aunt Inez. Love you all. Marcia and Ric*

Ric Marcia Harles-Johnson - 7 hours ago

MM

“ *Mary Marquardt lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Mary Marquardt - Yesterday at 06:33 PM

JF

“ *Julie Fick lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Julie fick - Yesterday at 02:47 PM

LF

“ *Thoughts and prayers go out to you and your families on the loss of your mom.*



Lori & Craig Mittelstadt Family - Yesterday at 12:43 PM

MW

“ *Becky- I am sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. When I was working with you, I remember you had a weekly lunch date which I am sure she enjoyed. You were so good to her over the years.*

Margaret Williams - Yesterday at 11:42 AM

RV

“ *Ray And Nancy Vaughan lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Ray and Nancy Vaughan - Yesterday at 08:26 AM

PV

“ *Pat Vanderlinden lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Pat Vanderlinden - Yesterday at 12:14 AM

LS

“ *LeeAnn Sudbeck lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



LeeAnn Sudbeck - January 10 at 11:53 PM

JH

“ *To my dear cousins, my heart goes out to you in this time of loss. I remember her beautiful smile and her quiet chuckle; when I stayed overnight at the farm she would serve us mush and straight-from-the-cow milk before we headed off to school. As a child she introduced me to mincemeat pie and I couldn't figure out why a pie with meat in it was served for dessert ;-)* According to my dad, she played a mean game of dominoes. She worked as hard in the home as she did on the farm but always had time to listen. Aunt Inez, you will be missed! Love you, Janet

Janet Harles - January 10 at 11:32 PM

MW

“ *Mary Wilke lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Mary Wilke - January 10 at 10:02 PM

SW

“ *Theresa,so sorry to see your mom passed away..my sympathy to your family..Sandy Watterud*

Sandy Watterud - January 10 at 09:47 PM

JB

“ *Jerry And Noreen Bolstad lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Jerry and Noreen Bolstad - January 10 at 09:15 PM

LN

“ *Becky, Christie, Theresa and families; Sincere sympathy in the loss of your mom. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. My memories of Inez are of her caring smile and listening ear. It was always so fun to visit with her when we happened to meet. So sorry we will not be able to attend her service but know our thoughts will be with you all. Hugs! God Bless~~ Lynette & Dick Nelson*

Lynette Nelson - January 10 at 07:23 PM

SA

“ *Steve And Kay Anderson lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Steve and Kay Anderson - January 10 at 07:17 PM

LM

“ *Lisa Milbeck lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Lisa Milbeck - January 10 at 06:40 PM

DW

“ *Debbie Wilke lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Debbie Wilke - January 10 at 06:37 PM

CM

“ *Chad Milbeck lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Chad Milbeck - January 10 at 06:34 PM

ML

“ *Mary Lewis lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles*



Mary Lewis - January 10 at 06:08 PM

JJ

“ *Christine, I am so sorry to learn of your Mom's passing. I have many memories of the Harles family. My deepest sympathy to all of your family. I sure enjoyed our times at Woodland. I am praying for you.*

Judy Johnson - January 10 at 06:02 PM

JR

“ Our deepest sympathy to all of the family in the death of Inez. She was such a beautiful lady. May God comfort you at this difficult time.



Jerry & Peggy Rezac - January 10 at 05:41 PM

DJ

“ Dave Harles Jr lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles



Dave Harles Jr - January 10 at 05:38 PM



“ Kathy Sharp lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles



Kathy Sharp - January 10 at 05:36 PM

SH

“ Steve Harles lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles



Steve Harles - January 10 at 04:11 PM



“ Fonda Knudson lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles



Fonda Knudson - January 10 at 03:42 PM

CW

“ Catherine Ann Wilde lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles



Catherine Ann Wilde - January 10 at 03:04 PM

WM

“ Wesley Maack lit a candle in memory of Inez Harles



Wesley Maack - January 10 at 02:27 PM