The Funeral in memory of
Kay D Broeske



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Obituary[†]

Kay D. Broeske, age 83, of Abbotsford, passed away on Saturday, November 1, 2025, at the Marshfield Medical Center in Marshfield, Wisconsin.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, November 14, 2025 at Zion Lutheran Church in Colby. Reverend James Groleau will officiate. Visitation will be at the church from 11:00 a.m. until the time of the service.

Kay was born on February 5, 1942, the daughter of Howard and Jeanette Bobbe. Kay attended Abbotsford Public Schools from Kindergarten through her Junior year of high school. Then in 1959, her family moved north to Medford. Kay then graduated high school from Medford High School in 1960 and later attended cosmetology school in Wausau, Wisconsin. On January 26, 1963, Kay was united in marriage to Marvin Broeske in Medford. They raised four children in Abbotsford and had been married for 62 years until Marvin preceded her in death on February 21, 2024.

Kay enjoyed all facets of being a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She was known to have a green thumb nurturing indoor plants and always had a wide variety of flower beds outside. As a longtime special education para-educator in Abbotsford School District, she met every child with patience, dignity and unconditional encouragement. She believed every child deserved to feel capable, valued, and seen. Though our hearts are broken, we take comfort in knowing that her work, her love, and her spirit will continue to echo in every life she touched.

Kay is survived by her four children: Jill (Steve) Weiler of Marshfield, Patrick (Nellie) Broeske of Brownsville, Robyn (Paul) Schueller of Stratford, and Allyson Broeske of Stratford; nine grandchildren: Jena (Ryan) Moertel, Hailey (Nicholas) Bolen, Trent Weiler, Bennett Broeske, Alivia Broeske, Jacob Broeske, Kamryn Schueller, Braeden Schueller, Kalyn Schueller, and one great-granddaughter, Charlotte Moertel. She is further survived by her two brothers; Lester (Marlene) Bobbe, and Larry Bobbe, and her sister Linda Boxrucker, nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

† https://www.maurinaschilling.com/obituaries/Kay-D-Broeske?obId=46322546

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Stand

748 I'm But a Stranger Here

1 I'm but a stranger here,
Heav'n is my home;
Earth is a desert drear,
Heav'n is my home.
Danger and sorrow stand
Round me on ev'ry hand;
Heav'n is my fatherland,
Heav'n is my home.

2 What though the tempest rage,
Heav'n is my home;
Short is my pilgrimage,
Heav'n is my home;
And time's wild wintry blast
Soon shall be overpast;
I shall reach home at last,
Heav'n is my home.

3 Therefore I murmur not,
Heav'n is my home;
Whate'er my earthly lot,
Heav'n is my home;
And I shall surely stand
There at my Lord's right hand;
Heav'n is my fatherland,
Heav'n is my home.

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Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Psalm 100

Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord cheerfully. Come into His presence with a joyful song. Realize that the Lord alone is God. He made us, and we are His. We are His people and the sheep under His care. Enter His gates with a song of thanksgiving. Come into His courtyards with a song of praise. Give thanks to Him; praise His Holy Name. The Lord is good. His mercy endures forever. His faithfulness endures throughout every generation.

Remembrance of Baptism

P In Holy Baptism Kay Broeske, was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sin. St. Paul says, “Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?”

C **We were buried with Jesus by Baptism into death, so that, just as Jesus was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we also will walk in newness of life. If we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.**

Kyrie

P In our time of need, Lord have mercy upon us.

C **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Lord, have mercy upon us.

P I pray the Lord would be with you.



C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray:
Lord Jesus Christ, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever, give comfort those who are grieving at the death of their beloved Kay. Remind them that it was not Your intention for us to know death. Repeat Your promise that those who believe and have been Baptized into Your name will spend eternity with You. Comfort the broken-hearted. Bind up their wounds. Surround them with devoted neighbors and friends. Hold them in the palm of Your loving hand.

C **Amen**

Sit



OLD TESTAMENT READING: PSALM 103:1–8

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.

The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

P This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:16–21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

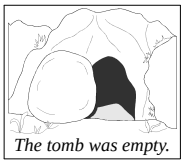
All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

P This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

P If we have died with Christ, we shall also live with Him;
C I**f we are faithful to the end, we shall reign with Him.**


The tomb was empty.

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 11:28–30

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Apostles' Creed

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sit

770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

1 What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit;
Oh, what needless pain we bear—
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!

2 Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

3 Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee;
Thou wilt find a solace there.

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SERMON: JESUS: CHAMPION AND SAVIOR *Isaiah 55:1-12*

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.

P Almighty God, You hold Your chosen people together in the Holy Christian Church through Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Give to Your whole Church in heaven and on earth Your light and peace. *Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P Grant that all who have been Baptized into Jesus' death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and so pass with Him through the gate of death and the grave to our joyful resurrection. *Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P Grant that all who have been nourished by the holy Body and Blood of Your Son may be raised to immortality and incorruption to be seated with Him at Your heavenly banquet. *Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P Give to the family of KAy and to all who mourn comfort in their grief and a sure confidence in Your loving care. As they cast all their sorrow on You, may they may know the comfort of Your love. *Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P Give courage and faith to us, that in the fellowship of Your Church we may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those we love who have departed in the faith. *Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P Help us, we pray, when we are overwhelmed by things we cannot understand, to believe and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P Receive our thanks for the many blessings You gave to Kay during this earthly life. Bring us in the end to our heavenly home that with her we may see You face to face in the joys of heaven. *Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P O God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring eternal life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, will be able to separate us from Your love, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord, and trusting in His promise, we are bold to pray before the throne of a Holy God:

C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

P Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and I am the life. Everyone who believes in me will live, even if they die”

C **When this body that decays is changed into a body that cannot decay, and this mortal body is changed into a body that will live forever, then the teaching of Scripture will come true: “Death is turned into victory!**

Death, where is your victory?
Death, where is your sting?”

Sin gives death its sting, and God’s Law gives sin its power. Thanks be to God that he gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

P Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and I am the life.
Everyone who believes in me will live, even if they die”

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall lack nothing.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for His name’s sake.
Even if I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil,
for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall pursue me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

P Let us Pray
Lord God, our Shepherd, You gather the lambs of Your flock into the arms of Your mercy and bring them home. Comfort us with the certain hope of the resurrection to everlasting life and a joyful reunion with those we love who have died in the faith; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

Commit the Body

P We now commit the body of Kay Broeske to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. As we do this we can rest in the certain hope that for all who believe there is a resurrection to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord, who will change our lowly bodies so they will be like His glorious body by the power that enables Him to subdue all things to Himself.

C **Amen**

P May God the Father, who created this body; may God the ✢ Son, who by His blood redeemed this body; may God the Holy Spirit, who by Holy Baptism made holy this body to be His temple, keep these remains to the day of the resurrection of all flesh.

C **Amen.**

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✢ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

744 Amazing Grace *sts. 1–2, 5*

1 Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see!

2 The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

5 When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.

Text (sts. 1–2): John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.; (st. 5): A Collection of Sacred Ballads, 1790, Richmond
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Sundays in Advent *(9:00am)*
Nov 30 – Peace in the Waiting
Dec 7 – Peace in Relationships
Dec 14 – *Children's Christmas Program*
Dec 21 – The Search for Peace Ends in a Manger



Wednesdays in Advent *(10:30am & 6:30pm)*
Dec 3 – Waiting in Hope
Dec 10 – Waiting in Faith
Dec 17 – Waiting in Joy



Christmas Eve
God With Us:
Trusting the Unexpected
(3:30pm & 10:00pm)



Christmas Day
Glory to God
in the Highest
(9:00am)