

Gone But Not Forgotten...

Bette Reimers Hess, 93, passed away peacefully at her home in Sheridan, Wyoming, with her daughters by her side on July 15, 2026.

Bette was born on September 16, 1932, on her family's farm near Sholes, Nebraska. She was the daughter of Edmond and Lillian Kenny and the youngest of four children. She grew up on a farm outside of Carroll, Nebraska, and graduated from Carroll High School in 1950.

In 1952, Bette married Dean Reimers. They farmed in Nebraska for several years before moving to Wyoming in 1958. Together they raised three children: Bonnie, Tim, and Tammy. As a family, they enjoyed camping with friends in the Big Horn Mountains and created many treasured memories.

After Dean's passing in 1977, Bette married Lloyd Hess in 1979. Lloyd had three married boys Dave (Brenda), Casey (Diane), Tim (Trish) from his previous marriage. Between them they had 15 grandkids.

Bette worked for 25 years as a beloved "lunch lady" at Taylor Elementary and Sagebrush Elementary Schools, where she was known for her kindness, caring nature, and friendly smile.

During their retirement, Bette and Lloyd enjoyed boating, fishing, and traveling in their RV. Their travels took them to all 50 states and they spent 12 winters in Arizona. Lloyd passed away in 2006.

Bette found great joy in caring for her family and friends. She was active with bowling and YMCA water aerobics. She was a member of Holy Name Catholic Church, the Big Horn Mountain Eagles, the Elks, the American Legion, and the VFW and a supporter of the Kalif Shrine Horse Patrol. She loved baking and canning, and few things made her happier than sharing her homemade treats with family and friends.

One of Bette's most cherished traditions was hosting Thursday morning coffee, a gathering she faithfully shared with family, friends, and neighbors for 35 years. Those mornings were filled with laughter, conversation, and enduring friendships.

Bette will be remembered for her hardworking spirit, generous heart, unwavering love of family, and gift for making everyone feel welcome. Her kindness, quiet strength, and genuine warmth touched countless lives and will be deeply missed.

Bette was preceded in death by her parents, her siblings, her two husbands, her son Tim Reimers, and step-sons Dave, Casey, and Tim Hess. She is survived by her daughters Bonnie (Dennis Zowada) and Tammy (Mark Heid), her daughter-in-laws Cindy Reimers (Joe Lawrence), Brenda Bissell (Mike), Diane Jones, Trish Hess, and her 15 grandchildren: Brian Zowada (Amber), Bret Zowada (Joni), Paul Zowada (Terra), Brittany Fox (Brian), Chelsey Cole (Aaron), Randy Reimers (Liz), Justin Heid (Julie), Zach Heid (Carrie), Emily White (Samuel), Bryan Hess (Chrissy), Rachel Meech (Dave), Katie Hess (Travis), Jenn Perkins, Chris Hess (Stephanie), and Brandy Forney. Bette is also survived by her 30 great-grandchildren.



Celebrating The Life Of Bette Hess



September 16, 1932 - July 15, 2026

To All My Family And Friends

I want to just say a few words to all of you, don't worry, it won't be a long and drawn out speech.

I just want to say how much I love you all and I have really enjoyed my life. I have had some ups and downs and lots of heartaches but with that, I have had lots of love and support when I really needed it, you have always been there for me. I could never have gotten thru it all without you.

I have so many good memories and that is what I want to leave behind. No tears, simply good memories.

As you grow older, so many things that bothered you as a child disappear, then you grow up, and make a few mistakes and with those mistakes, you learn and at times, great things come out of it.

I have a wonderful family, brothers, sisters, children, grandkids, aunts, and uncles and lots of friends.

Okay I am done, but I want you all to know how much I love you and we will meet again in a better place. This place will be beautiful, and I will join all my friends and family and I will be waiting for all of you to join me, when it's your time.

So to all of you, I won't say goodbye, I will just say "See you all in a better place, where there will be so much love and laughter!"

Now go and have a beer, or your beverage of choice, and know that I will be sharing the toast with you! Love you and God bless You, He's my man and strength!

Love and Memories Forever, Bette

Live Laugh Love

In Loving Memory Of Bette Louise Hess

MASS Of CHRISTIAN BURIAL
Saturday, August 8, 2026 @ 11:00 AM
Holy Name Catholic Church

Officiating
Father Glenn Whewell

1st. Reading ~ Dennis Zowada
Responsorial Psalm ~ Joe Lawrence
2nd. Reading ~ Mark Heid

MUSIC
Amazing Grace, Only A Shadow
Here I Am Lord, Lead Me Lord

MUSIC BY
Organist ~ Doreen Choong
Soloist ~ Annie Magera

PALLBEARERS
Grandchildren

A reception to follow Mass in the Parish Hall.

Inurnment will be in the Elks Section of the
Sheridan Municipal Cemetery at a later date.