



## Genevieve Mae Benlien

November 24, 1953 - April 18, 2017

Genevieve M. (Jenny) Benlien of Clay Center, NE, passed from her earthly life into the arms of her Lord, Jesus Christ, at 3:40 AM, April 18, 2017, at Bryan-West Hospital, Lincoln, NE, due to complications of breast cancer.

Jenny was born November 24, 1953, in Norton, KS, to Arthur and Vivian Benlien (Sperry). She was raised in Kansas and Nebraska, calling Nebraska home for the majority of her life. She married Thomas D. Wilson of Harvard, NE, May 26, 1973.

Jenny was always her family's greatest champion. She not only raised her own children but 4 of her grandchildren as well. She had a great love for them all and her love and influence will always be present in their lives and hearts.

She is preceded in death by her mother and father, her grandmother Kitty Hartzog, and beloved brother-in-law, David Altman. She is survived by her life-long friend, Cherrie Malone; her 4 daughters, Tina, Cynthia, Vanessa, and Melanie; 7 grandchildren, Andrew, Kelsie, Anna, Jasmine, Michael, Mackenzie, and Thomas; 6 great grandchildren; and 4 siblings, Al, Susan, Anna, and Helen; many nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Graveside Memorial Service will be held at the Clay Center Cemetery, Friday, April 21, at 11:30 AM with Pastor Bill Harrold of Heartland Shared

Ministries officiating. Memorials may be sent to the family in care of Melanie Wilson, 107 South M Rd, Harvard, NE, 68944.

Condolences may be left at [www.mclaughlinchapel.com](http://www.mclaughlinchapel.com)

Forever loved.....forever dear....walking with angels....forever near! Rest easy, dear Jenny. You will be sorely missed!

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Al, Susan, Anna & Helen,  
I was sorry and sad to hear that Jenny had passed away. I  
remember her from school days. She was always so sweet and had  
a bubbly personality; always had a smile on her face. I think Jenny  
and my sister Nadine were classmates. I heard at one time that she  
was living in her mother's house but didn't know if she was still  
there. Your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Linda*

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**Linda (McCune) Walker** - April 21, 2017 at 10:57 AM

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“ *The family of Jenny, I was so sad to hear that Jenny had passed, I  
did not even know she lived in Clay Center, I would have loved to  
have seen her. I just remember her when she was little, just such a  
sweet girl. I seen her once in Grand Island and she gave me the  
biggest and best hug.  
If I can help in any way please let me know..(Cell 402-759-1336)  
text or call  
Keeping all of you in my prayers. With Caring and Friendship, Pat*

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**Patsy (Bedlan/Head) Gewecke** - April 20, 2017 at 11:10 AM