

OBITS

Janet Bergquist

Janet Kay Bergquist (Schlichting), 58, Wilton, passed away on Saturday, January 24, 2026.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, January 31, 2026, at Bismarck Funeral Home. There will be time for lunch and fellowship at 1:00 PM at the Wilton Memorial Hall, 105 Dakota Ave, Wilton, ND. Burial will be in the spring.

Visitation will be held Friday, January 30, 2026, from 5:30-7:00 PM at Bismarck Funeral Home, with a Prayer Service at 7:00 PM. Visitation will continue one hour prior to the service on Saturday.

Janet was born September 6, 1967, in Garrison, ND to James and Ruby Schlichting, youngest of 5. She was raised and educated in Garrison, graduated in 1985 and then continued education at Bismarck State College, receiving a business degree in 1987. In 1995 she started her career at UPS as an IT tech working there for 29 years before retiring in 2024.

Janet married Bruce Bergquist “the love of her life” on June 16, 2001, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Wilton, ND. They made their home on a farm north of Wilton where together they ranched with her cattle, horses, cats, and dogs. Janet



did many things on the farm, but her favorite was mowing lawn, as she really enjoyed having a well-manicured lawn.

In 2006, Janet and Bruce welcomed their first child, Garrett, and in 2008 they welcomed their second son, William. Janet adored her boys and treasured time spent together, whether it was trips to the movies in Garrison, visiting cousins in Missouri, or cheering at Timberwolves games. Janet and Bruce enjoyed spending time together trail riding and traveling with friends, creating many special memories, including vacations to Cancun. As the boys grew older, Janet was their biggest supporter, proudly cheering them on in basketball, FFA, 4-H, and archery. As a family, they also loved going camping, making lasting memories together at New Johns Lake. Family traditions were especially important to Janet,

and one favorite was making homemade pizza together for birthdays and holidays.

Janet will be deeply missed by her loving family and husband of 24 years, Bruce; sons, Garrett and William Bergquist; her parents, James and Ruby Schlichting; siblings, Laurie (Bud) Flinger, Paul (Lenore) Schlichting, David (Lisa) Schlichting; sister-in-law, Bellinda Schlichting; mother-in-law, Beverly Bergquist; in-laws, Brenda Schlecht, Brian (Nanette) Bergquist, Beth Teiken; and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Mike Schlichting; father-in-law, Robert Bergquist; and grandparents.

Thank you to all our dear family and friends for your unwavering support and love during this difficult time. We are also grateful to the incredible staff at Sanford, especially her nurse, Naomi, for her compassionate care and kindness.

In lieu of flowers, in memory of Janet, please make memorials to donor’s choice.

A livestream of the services will be posted to her online obituary where you can sign the online guestbook and share memories with her family at [www.bismarckfuneralhome.com](http://www.bismarckfuneralhome.com).

WASHBURN BOYS

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and continued defensive focus will be key as the Cardinals prepare for a series of games that could ultimately decide postseason seeding.

With multiple district contests on the horizon and little room for error, Washburn knows that each upcoming game carries added importance. The Cardinals will aim to respond with energy and execution as they move deeper into the heart

of the district schedule.

**Jan. 20 at White Shield**  
WAS 68 WS 26

**Jan. 24 at North Star**  
WAS 54  
NS 70

**Upcoming Contests:**  
Jan. 29 vs. Wilton-Wing  
Jan. 31 vs. Hettinger-Scranton  
Feb, 3 at Central McLean

NOTICE OF CALL FOR BIDS

The Board of Commissioners, McLean County, North Dakota, will open sealed bids in the following categories in their office in the Courthouse at Washburn, North Dakota on Wednesday, February 18, 2026.

ITEM NO. 1 -- 9:00 A.M.  
Road gravel delivered on highways or in stockpiles. In the case of crushed gravel, bids will be for gravel crushed to 3/4" and measured on a ton and ton-mile basis. Successful bidder or bidders must supply a \$5000.00 performance bond after award of gravel crushing and must be available to perform work within 30 days of notice from Highway Superintendent.

ITEM NO. 2 -- 9:15 A.M.  
The rental of machinery suitable for construction and/or maintenance of county highways and bridges. Bids to be submitted on an hourly or yardage basis with bidder furnishing operator, repairs, fuel, oil, insurance and all other incidentals.

Bids to be addressed to the McLean County Auditor and plainly marked on the outside of the envelope, either "BIDS FOR GRAVEL" or "BIDS FOR RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT".

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities or technicalities and to accept the bid or bids which appear in the best interest of McLean County.

Bid forms may be obtained by writing to the McLean County Highway Office (PO Box 1108) or the McLean County Auditor (PO Box 1108), Washburn, ND 58577.


Dated this 21st day of January, 2026.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Beth A. Knutson, County Auditor

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