



Diana L. Thomas

December 22, 1947 - February 7, 2025

Diana L. Thomas, 77 of Kearney, NE passed away February 7, 2025 in Missouri. Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m. Friday, March 7, 2025 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Diana was born December 22, 1947 in Gothenburg, NE to Evertt and Darlene (Smith) Whaley. She was raised in Kearney and attended Kearney High School, graduating with the class of 1966. On November 18, 1967, Diana was united in marriage to Marland Thomas in Kearney, NE.

Diana was a longtime employee of Kearney Public Schools as a secretary at Horizon Middle School. She was a past member of Kearney Baptist Church, Campfire leader, Cub Scout leader, PTO President, Captain and Vice President of Bowling Leagues, Extension Club President, Room Mother and a 4-H leader. Diana enjoyed gardening and playing mahjong.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Nicole (Brad) Deters of Gravois Mills, MO; son, Jeff Thomas of Grand Island; grandchildren, Austin (Jennie) Deters, Hunter Deters, Cooper Deters, Alyssa Thomas and Skylar Deters; 3

great grandsons, Rylen, Blare and Deklan Deters; sisters, Pam (Craig) Thomas of Kearney and Kathy Lauhead of Sidney, NE; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Diana was preceded in death by her parents; and husband, Marland.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My sympathy to the Thomas family.*

Diana was a beloved member of our Kearney Mahjongg group. She was a lovely, gracious lady who we knew was dealing with chemo therapy treatments, rebuilding after flood damage to her home, and the loneliness of widowhood, but she never complained and always came to our games beautifully dressed and with a smile on her face. She was a good Mahjongg player, and I know we will all miss her.

Dixie Larson

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