



Donna Beck

August 31, 1941 - November 16, 2023

Donna Darlene (Daake) Beck peacefully passed from this life on November 16, 2023, surrounded by family and friends. Donna was born August 31, 1941, to Carl W. and Thelma C. (Carman) Daake and was raised in the Amherst area. She married Dean Lienemann in 1959 and moved to his family farm in Wilcox where they raised Charolais cattle. They had three children together: Kim, Larry, and Gaylene. The marriage did not last, but their children remained an active part of both parent's lives.

Donna married Kenny Beck on July 25, 1969, and they became a blended family that added Kenneth Allen, Janet, and Scott. Chuck was born to the couple in 1971. The family moved to Gibbon, where Kenny opened Beck Electric and Donna became the office manager. Both were active in the American Legion and Auxiliary. Donna became a lifetime member of the Bradley Buck Auxiliary Unit after serving in many different offices over the years. Donna was passionate about helping people in her community from working on commodity food drops, volunteering with Legion baseball and women's softball, operating a youth center, and working with senior citizens. Donna spent the last, most content years of her life among people she loved at Mother Hull Home - attending chapel, playing bingo, and doing craft projects. She was well known for her collection of hats.

Donna is survived by children Kim Garcia, Gaylene Stupic (Joe), and Chuck

Beck (Tammie) as well as step-children Jan Beck McCracken (Tim) and Scott Beck; daughter-in-law Stacey Lienemann; sister Karla Shafer (Richard) and brother August Daake (Judy) and brother-in-law Pat Sims; grandchildren Crystal, Brooke, Lacey, Seth, Blake, Grant, Jonathon, Megan, Jessica, and Kaylee; great-grandchildren Brenden, Alex, Brianna, Alyssa, Hayden, Josiah, Toby, Crosley, Fulton, Madelynn, and Joseph; and a great-great-granddaughter Nevaeh.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, November 25, 2023 at 10:00 AM at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney. Memorials to the family in lieu of flowers for future designation. Donna's final resting place will be with her beloved husband Kenny at Fort McPherson National Cemetery (Maxwell, NE) with interment at a later date.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **25**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“*Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.*’ Matthew 25:40 New International Version



As a child, I may not have recognized all that this sister had done for our family, but as an adult I am forever grateful for her acceptance of our family (the least of these) into her heart, home and life.

Donna was a true and dedicated friend for a lifetime to our family. Her friendship with our mother, Carolyn Keen Lea, was a bond never broken. I will always remember her smile and how she lit up when I was in her presence. I believe Donna was that person to all individuals, as she truly did for all as she did for the least of us. My deepest condolences to Kim, Larry, Gaylene, Scott along with the entire family. And with my sincere thanks for sharing your mother with my family.

*Love & Hugs,
Sheila Keen Prosser*

I light the Candle of Pink in honor of kindness, friendship and healing.

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