



## Marcia Kay Elder

March 11, 1963 - July 27, 2016

Marcia Kay (Moran) Elder, 53, of Kearney, Nebraska passed away on July 27, 2016 surrounded by members of her family. A memorial service will be held 10:00 a.m. Saturday, July 30, 2016 at the Kearney First United Methodist Church. The Rev. Alan Davis will officiate. A private family interment will take place at Kearney Cemetery. Family will receive friends 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Friday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home.

Marcia was born on March 11, 1963 at the Newman Regional Hospital in Emporia, KS to Richard and Donna Moran. She spent her youth in Emporia, KS, Topeka, KS, Hastings, NE, and Gordon, NE. Upon graduating from Gordon High School, she obtained a degree from the Stenotype Institute in Sioux Falls, SD.

She was united in marriage to James D. Elder on July 21, 1984 at St. Leo's Catholic Church in Gordon, NE and they continued to live in Gordon for a number of years. Marcia's loving and witty personality combined with her dedication brought happiness to everyone she worked with during her life. During Marcia and Jim's time in Gordon, she was employed at the Gordon Journal, and the Gordon Memorial Hospital.

Marcia and Jim moved to Sheldon, IA in 1989 to pursue career changes and it was while they were in Sheldon where they were blessed with two exceptional children, Eric and Haley. Marcia worked at the Northwest Iowa Hospital in Sheldon until the family moved to Kearney, NE in 2001 where she was employed with Good Samaritan Hospital and the Heartland Surgery Center.

Marcia is survived by her son Eric, daughter Haley, mother Donna Moran of Kearney, NE, mother-in-law Maxine Elder of Milbank, SD (formerly of Clinton, NE), brother Mike Moran of Omaha, NE, sister Michelle Bruns of Whiteclay, NE, sister Melanie Paul of Gordon, NE, sister-in-law Cheryl Matthes and her husband Rick of Lincoln, NE, sister-in-law Karen Dyke of Denver, CO, sister-in-law Janet Zuver and her husband Leland of LaBolt, SD, brother-in-law Bo Elder and his wife Renee of Blue Ridge, TX, many nieces and nephews, and her two beloved dogs, Milo and Mowgli.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Elder, and her father, Richard Moran.

Memorials are suggested to Aseracare Hospice or the Kearney Area Animal Shelter. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 233-3244

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL 30. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
4500 Linden Drive  
Kearney, NE 68847

# Tribute Wall



“ *Marcia Kay Elder*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *I always loved seeing Marcia, she was always an inspirational lady! Bless her heart she will be truly missed!*

**Jane Valenzuela** - July 29, 2016 at 06:24 PM



“ *In the short time Marcia and Jim were on this earth they raised two awesome children. I am sure both are smiling down from heaven right now with pride.*

**LaVonne Miller** - July 29, 2016 at 12:13 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marcia Kay Elder.*



July 29, 2016 at 11:16 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this difficult time.*

*Steve and Jan Bishop (HDR)*

**Jan Bishop** - July 29, 2016 at 11:01 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marcia Kay Elder.*



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July 29, 2016 at 10:14 AM



“ *I was very honored to have work with Marcia and to call her a friend. She always had a wonderful smile and caring words. Marcia had away of making you feel good and a great listening ear. She had great courage and faith when she had to go thru losing Jim and was strong and caring of Eric and Haley. Marcia will be remembered and greatly missed. I want the family to know I will be praying for comfort ,peace and God's caring hand on you.*  
*Kathy Soderholm*

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**Kathy Soderholm** - July 28, 2016 at 10:44 PM



“ *Marcia was a special lady. I appreciated her kindness, support, and sense of humor the times I visited the Rehab services area. Thoughts and prayers are with her family.* *Chaplain Frank Parrington*

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**Frank Parrington** - July 28, 2016 at 08:30 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers to you.*

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**Pam Christiansen** - July 28, 2016 at 05:45 PM

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you Donna, Maxine, Michelle and family, Mel and family and all of Marcia's family. I have a lot of memories of working with Marcia at Gordon Memorial Hospital. We used to share a chuckle sometimes when people would get us confused and call us by each others name. Thinking of you all and may she now be at peace.*

**Kay Elder** - July 28, 2016 at 05:36 PM

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“ *Marilyn (Shuster) and Hal McGlathery and families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Marcia Kay Elder.*



**Marilyn (Shuster) and Hal McGlathery and families** - July 28, 2016 at 03:54 PM

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“ *Enjoyed working with her at the Journal.*

**Neal Ziller** - July 28, 2016 at 03:15 PM

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“ *I will always remember Marcia as a beautiful, kind, and caring woman. We were delighted when she and Jim married. They had such a great marriage and two wonderful kids, Eric and Haley. Eric and Haley, your mom was a blessing to all who knew her. May you find peace in her loving memories. -- Marilyn & Hal McGlathery*

**Marilyn McGlathery** - July 28, 2016 at 03:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Marcia Kay Elder.



July 28, 2016 at 02:37 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Marcia Kay Elder.



July 28, 2016 at 01:40 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Marcia Kay Elder.



July 28, 2016 at 11:40 AM