



Peggy L. Choplin

November 22, 1941 - August 20, 2021

Peggy Choplin, 79 of Kearney passed away Friday, August 20, 2021 peacefully at her home surrounded by her family. A funeral mass will be held 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at St. James Catholic Church in Kearney. Interment will follow at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be held 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday followed by a 7:00 p.m. vigil/prayer service all at the church.

Memorials are suggested to St. James Catholic Church or the Kearney Area Animal Shelter. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home.

Margaret Louise (Peggy Lou) Choplin was born November 22, 1941, at home in Dawson County, Nebraska, to Orville John "Chub" and Nellie "Jean" (Shears) Weidner. She graduated from Sumner High School in 1959 and Personnel Training Institute in Omaha. After graduation, she moved to Washington, D.C. where she worked as a secretary for the Central Intelligence Agency. On March 13, 1961, she married Dennis Choplin, who was in the U.S. Army stationed at Fort Myer, Virginia. Three children were born to this union, Michael Lynn, Denise Jean, and Mark Allen.

Being a military family, they lived in Virginia, North Carolina, Kansas, Germany, Minnesota and Nebraska during her husband's military career. She

worked as a secretary in various places during their travels, retiring after working 27 years at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney.

Peggy was a member of St. James Catholic Church, St. James Women's Bible Study Group, Magnificat, and a volunteer server at funeral dinners. She was a Life Member of the Custer Battlefield Historical and Museum Association, and the Crazy Horse Grass Roots Club. She had a great interest in Indian history, particularly the Lakota Sioux. Her greatest joy in life were her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She loved animals, especially dogs, cats, and horses. Peggy was proud to be an army wife and always made the most of where they lived. She also enjoyed her Friday coffee with her dear friends Pam Miller and Laraine Neu.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Denise (Neil) Miller of Kearney; son, Mark Choplin of Shelton; grandchildren, Matthew (Angie) Choplin, Hannah Keen, Alex Miller, Bryce Choplin, Makayla Choplin, Kevin Choplin, Claire Choplin, Scott Choplin, and Madison Choplin; and great grandchildren, Kelsey Choplin and Tate Choplin; Additional survivors include her sisters, Maris (Dave) Bentley of Plattsmouth, Kay Payton of Hot Springs, SD, Lou Ann (Dave) Tuzson of Livermore, CO; her sister-in-law, Peggy Weidner of Gillette, WY; several nieces and nephews, and extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dennis in April 2021; her son, Michael in 2004; her brother, Gary in 2018; her parents; and her beloved dog, Princess.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **24**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Vigil / Prayer Service

AUG **24**. 7:00 PM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
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Kearney, NE 68847

Funeral Mass

AUG **25**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ *Peggy L. Choplin*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *I first met Peg at our Wednesday morning Bible study class at St James church. We shared our love the native American Indian nations and the Crazy Horse monument and museum in the Black Hills of the Dakota's. She was a wonderful lady and I shall miss her*

Janey Dubas

Janey Dubas - August 24, 2021 at 06:01 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers to Peggys family. She was most professional and dedicated in her service at Good Sam and I'm sure throughout all her life undertakings as well*

Bill/ Linda Vosik

William Vosik - August 24, 2021 at 10:47 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Peggy L. Choplin.*



August 24, 2021 at 01:21 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peggy L. Choplin.*



August 23, 2021 at 04:59 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Peggy L. Choplin.*



August 23, 2021 at 03:32 PM



“ *Janice Weidner-Hickey purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Peggy L. Choplin.*



Janice Weidner-Hickey - August 22, 2021 at 08:45 PM