



Roberta "Bobbi" Gerdes

December 6, 1943 - November 8, 2021

Roberta "Bobbi" Gerdes, 77 of Kearney Nebraska, passed away Monday, November 8, 2021 at St. Francis Senior Ministries in Tiffin, Ohio. Memorial services will be 2:30 p.m. Monday, November 15, 2021 at First Lutheran Church in Kearney with Rev. Dr. Michelle Holley Carlson and Rev. Dr. Rick Carlson officiating. Inurnment will follow at First Lutheran Church Columbarium. Visitation will be 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Sunday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Memorials can be made to Kearney Area Animal Shelter or First Lutheran Church . Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Bobbi was born December 6, 1943 in Imperial, Nebraska to Earl S. and Edith M. (Clark) Slack. She was raised in Imperial, Nebraska and attended Imperial High School. Bobbi attended the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and later the University of Nebraska-Kearney where she earned her master's degree. Bobbi was a teacher for decades.

She enjoyed taking care of her cats, playing cards, going to the movies and spending time with her grandchildren. Bobbi was a longtime member of the Kearney First Lutheran Church and the Gloria Circle.

Left to cherish her memory are her son, Lance Mowrey and wife, Mary Beth of Findlay, OH; son-in-law, Rick McCaulley of Omaha; grandchildren, Mary "Ali" Mowrey, Edyn (Marcus) Gierke, Jaret Mowrey, Miranda Mowrey (Zach Bryant), Aiden Mowrey and Lina McCaulley; sister, Ruth Seward and husband, Randy of Johnson Lake; Jason Seward and fiancé, Janet Klein of Minden and Justin Seward of Mesa, AZ; as well as extended family and friends.

Bobbi was preceded in death by her parents; her daughter, Michelle McCaulley; and her husband, Mike Gerdes.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **14**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
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Kearney, NE 68847
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Memorial Service

NOV **15**. 2:30 PM (CT)

First Lutheran Church
3315 Ave G
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ *Roberta "Bobbi" Gerdes*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Bobbi's passing. I remember her when Mike was going through his health issues. I was a member of First Lutheran and also worked at the hospital. We had many great conversations. Such a nice lady. Deepest sympathies to the family.*

Rachelle Warner - November 19, 2021 at 02:50 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family.* 🙏🙏

Thomas Russell - November 14, 2021 at 08:41 PM



“ *I am so sadden to learn of Bobbi's passing, I know Bobbi from her days as a secretary at RYH. She was so delightful to the patients, and managed the Psychiatrist with her own finesse. She was a very beautiful person with a kind soul. My deepest sympathies to her family at this time - and I am honored to have known you. Rey and Lynn de los Angeles*



Lynn de los Angeles - November 14, 2021 at 05:55 PM

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“ Prayers for each of you. Prayers God will be with each of you during the coming weeks.



Karen and Don Hendrickson - November 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM

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“ Geraldean May Walker and Marinus May purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Roberta "Bobbi" Gerdes.



Geraldean May Walker and Marinus May - November 12, 2021 at 05:41 PM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. I was fortunate enough to meet Bobbi through my aunt, who worked with Bobbi at WIC. My aunt & Bobbi may have been co-workers but more importantly they were friends. After my aunt was diagnosed with cancer, Bobbi was such a strong support for all of us. Bobbi cheered with us in the good times, she prayed with us in the hard times & she cried with us when we said good bye to our aunt. This is a better place because Bobbi was in & I am a better person for having known her. Our thoughts & prayers are with your family in the days & weeks to come.

Karli & Lexi Loschen - November 11, 2021 at 02:55 PM