



## Anna M. Howsden

March 26, 1952 - May 11, 2026

Anna M. Howsden, age 74, of Kearney, passed away peacefully on Monday, May 11, 2026 at CHI – Health Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Visitation with family will be on Sunday, June 14, 2026 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney. Memorial services will be on June 15, 2026 at 10:30 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church in Kearney. Burial will follow at the Kearney Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the Gwendolyn Strong Foundation ([nevergiveup.org](http://nevergiveup.org)) or St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital. Please visit [www.hlmkfuneral.com](http://www.hlmkfuneral.com) to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

Anna was born on March 26, 1952 in Kearney, NE to Lawrence and Tony (Schuller) Schneider. She attended school in Kearney and later graduated with the Kearney High School class of 1970. She married Leonard Dean Howsden on April 14, 1973 in Kearney. Anna had an in-home daycare and cared for many children over the years. She then worked for many years at Shopko in Grand Island and Target in Kearney prior to her much deserved retirement. She was a long-time member of St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Grand Island and later Prince of Peace and St. James Catholic Church’s in Kearney. She was also a long-time member of the Grand Island Does Drove #147. She enjoyed family outings with the grandkids and great-grandkids. She

could be found at the lake in her camper when time allowed.

Surviving relatives include her daughter, Cindy Beno and husband Jim of Kearney, NE; daughter, Vicki Hanson and her husband Andy of Kearney, NE; son, Randy Howsden of Kearney, NE; daughter, Janine Blank of Hutchison, KS; son, Chris Howsden and his wife Molly of Sanford, NC; and daughter, Leanna Howsden of Debary, FL; sister, Nancy Schneider of Kearney, NE; grandchildren and spouses, Blake Beno, Jen Huber, Tyler and Jessica Hanson, Abby Hanson, Corey and Caitlin Young, Travis and Amanda Ladwig, Taylor Howsden, and Virginia Howsden; Great Grandchildren, Alivia and Drake Huber, Liam, Huxley, and Freya Young, Graham and Cora Hanson, and Max and Sully Ladwig.

Anna was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Leonard; son, Coby Howsden; granddaughter June Howsden; and great granddaughter, Lydia Huber.

# Cemetery Details

## Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I  
Kearney, NE 68847

# Previous Events

## Family Greeting Friends

JUN **14**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl  
2421 Avenue A  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 237-2259  
<https://www.hlmkfuneral.com>

## Funeral Mass

JUN **15**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Anna M. Howsden.*



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June 14 at 10:37 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Anna M. Howsden.

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June 14 at 10:37 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Anna M. Howsden.*



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June 07 at 02:36 PM



“ *Anna and I worked closely for a decade at Shopko, she was our queen of the front end! I felt like she was my adopted momma at times, and I miss her sighing the most. I may have picked up that habit from her... RIP to wonderful friend and soul.*

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**Misty Elliott** - May 25 at 12:56 PM

BK

“ I worked with Anna at Target. My shifts were always better when I got to work along side with her. She always had a way to get you to smile. I seen her about a month ago she was full of smiles and good spirits. I am better for have known her and she will be truly missed. prayers and condolences for the family.



Brenda Kenke - May 21 at 08:13 PM

LR

“ Anna was the light of my life she was always there for Jesse and I she was just like mother to us. We love her so much and will miss her each and every day but know she is in a better place. The Lord blessed us by sending her to Jesse and I.

LaDonna Ramirez - May 21 at 12:31 PM

SO

“ Anna was my cousin. Growing up we visited a lot. My Mom was Alice. We would stay in Tony's basement and walk to the park to play. We have always kept in contact. My sister and I came to visit in the last year or two. We spent a lot of time talking and eating. So glad we got to spend time with Anna. She was always so fun, nice, and welcoming. Will miss her so much. She brought so much Joy and Love to everyone around her. God Bless her family and friends. Sheila Obermeyer. Colorado



sheila obermeyer - May 21 at 09:35 AM

CA

“ Anna, any family that had you in it was blessed by god, you were a born mom. You have been such a blessing to our family and our mom. I know you will be a blessing in heaven as you were on earth. Love the Johnson and Ahrenstorff family.

Charleen Ahrenatorff - May 20 at 06:59 PM

JG

“ Jana Green lit a candle in memory of Anna Howsden



Jana Green - May 19 at 07:41 PM

JT

“ I went to high school with Anna. I always found her to be the nicest person. I don't think I ever heard her speak ill of someone. She is going to be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Joann Tumbleson - May 13 at 08:56 PM

JG

Anna "Tootie" was my first friend. We mer when were three! We had just moved across the alley from Anna and her family. J spent many happy years paying in the Schneider home. As years past we lost touch, only to become reacquainted after she lost her husband. Anna was always humble, kind, and considerate. She will be dearly missed by her family and friends.

Jana Green - May 19 at 07:40 PM