



Darlene Daly

July 1, 1950 - June 4, 2014

Darlene Daly, age 63, of Ericson, NE died Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney.

Funeral services will be Saturday, June 21, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at the Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral Home chapel in Kearney with Father Christopher Morris officiating. Burial will be in the Kearney Cemetery. There will be no visitation. Memorials are planned to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of arrangements.

Darlene was born on July 1, 1950 in Mullen and spent most of her childhood and youth on the family ranch in Ericson. She attended elementary school in a one room school house near the family ranch. She attended one year of high school in Burwell and the remaining 3 years at Hyannis High School where she graduated in 1968. She received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln in 1972.

She joined the staff of Campus Crusade for Christ in 1972 where she worked with the High School Ministry in San Bernardino, CA and Columbus, OH and then Family Life in Little Rock, AR. She earned a Master's of Arts in Mental Health Counseling from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, IL and returned to Little Rock, AR to pursue a career in the Mental Health field. She worked as a family and marriage counselor and as a counselor for troubled youth. She was especially fond of the kids she worked with. In 2009 she was honored by being named counselor of the year for the youth program in Arkansas.

She retired in 2010 due to illness and returned home to the ranch in Ericson. She thoroughly enjoyed her time back in Nebraska getting reacquainted with family and old friends and making lots of new ones. She loved the Sandhills and the Sandhills people. One of her favorite things was driving through rural areas with her windows open and country music blaring on her radio. She was an avid reader and had an extraordinary arsenal of knowledge, making her a wonderful conversationalist. She loved life and will be remembered by everyone for her laughter and unique wit. She loved all things chocolate, trying new recipes, movies, books, country music, wine, all animals, any chance to talk and laugh, and any opportunity to acquire new knowledge. She frequented the local library in every town she lived in throughout her life.

She was preceded in death by her mother Jean Bassett Daly, her father Clinton Daly, her aunt Dorothy Bassett Potthoff and uncles Ray Bassett, Emory Daly and Lloyd Daly. She is survived by her aunts Thelma Bassett

Pearman, Phyllis Daly Priest and Vera Daly Jividen, her uncle's Dick and Byron Daly, cousins and many friends.

She was a member of Holy Trinity Orthodox Church in Little Rock, Arkansas
She was a special soul and will be sorely missed.

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Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUN 21. 12:00 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Darlene Daly*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *I am so sorry that I just found out about Dar's passing. Dar and I were roommates one year in Arkansas and in that short year, she made such an impact on my life! She was a special lady who truly loved people and cared deeply! We would talk and talk for hours on end and then laugh until we couldn't laugh anymore! I can still hear her amazing giggle! She will be missed! Love you, Dar! Can't wait for a visit in Heaven!*

Kay Hill Chastain - June 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am so saddened to hear of this incredible loss to all of us. Dar was a dear, dear friend of nearly 35 years. I cannot count the hundreds and hundreds of hours we spent talking after seeing a great movie, or just while eating breakfast, or dinner. I can't think of a better conversationalist and nobody knew how to ask great questions like Dar. And she listened, REALLY listened. She was a gift. This picture captures her spirit to a T!*

Kathie Cook - June 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *In the short time that I knew Darlene, I grew to love her sense of humor. The list of honors she earned in her life is somewhat of a surprise. She was also a very humble person! The new friends in her life will miss her and it was an honor to know her.*

Linda Wadas - June 21, 2014 at 12:00 AM