



Melanie E. Morrison

August 4, 1947 - June 15, 2026

Melanie E. Morrison, age 78, of Kearney, passed away peacefully on Monday, June 15, 2026, at Heritage at Sagewood in Grand Island, NE. Funeral services will be Thursday June 18, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Kearney. Reverend Sean Dougherty will officiate. Burial will be at Kearney Cemetery at a later date. Viewing will be from 5:00 to 7:00 pm, with the family present on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney and one hour prior to the service. Memorials are suggested to First Baptist Church in Kearney.

Melanie was born on August 4, 1947, in Kearney, NE to Arthur and Wanda (Olson) Morrison. Melanie lived and built her life in Kearney. She attended school and graduated with the Kearney High School class of 1965. Melanie was a life-long member of First Baptist Church of Kearney. She worked at Platte Valley Medical Group for 35 years and later at the Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce. Melanie was active with the Bearcat Boosters or Kearney Community Theatre, depending on which of her children's interests she was supporting. An active member of the community, Melanie was a member of Kearney Dawn Rotary Club, a founding member of the Kearney YMCA campaign, served as president of Kearney Head Start, and enjoyed serving on the Care Committee at First Baptist Church. Melanie loved and was loved by her family and many friends. In retirement she especially enjoyed weekly dinner with her circle of girlfriends.

Melanie leaves behind her two children, Tonya (Carl) Ostrand and Tara (Christopher) Harris; her brother Dennis (Natalie) Morrison; her five grandchildren, Cailyn (Jaydn) Grabill, Cassidy (Benjamin) Stevens, Claire (Benjamin) Griess, Carsyn (Fiancé Jaden Engen) Ostrand and Parker Harris; and five great-grandchildren, Jaxson, Sage, Norah and Mason Grabill and Soren Griess.

Melanie was preceded in death by her parents and infant brother, Randall.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

JUN 18. 1:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
3610 6th Ave.
Kearney, NE 68845