



Donna Jean Reller

April 21, 1942 - February 16, 2023

Donna Jean Reller passed away peacefully on Thursday, February 16, 2023, surrounded by family. She was born on April 21, 1942, in Olga, ND, to Adelard and Alexina Lepire.

Donna grew up on the family farm where she attended a one-room elementary schoolhouse and helped with farm chores. Upon graduation from Walhalla High School, Donna moved to Grand Forks, ND, to further her education in accounting and begin a career in banking. While in Grand Forks she met her husband, Jim.

Donna was married to James "Jim" Reller on June 6, 1964, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Grand Forks, ND, and later welcomed two sons, Brent and Michael. During their 58 years together, they moved their family to many locations in the US and Europe as a result of Jim's career, including North Dakota, Indiana, Switzerland, France, Minnesota, England, Kansas, Illinois, New Jersey and Missouri.

Donna was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She was very social and could light up the room with her joyful presence and fun-loving personality. She loved entertaining her family and friends and filled her home with warmth and kindness.

Donna was very active in the Catholic Church and sought out volunteer opportunities in each of the parishes she and Jim joined over her lifetime. She also volunteered in community organizations such as Meals on Wheels and Habitat for Humanity. In her free time, Donna enjoyed morning walks with friends, hikes with her husband Jim while wintering in AZ, decorating her home, cooking, gardening, boating, skiing, reading and traveling.

Donna is survived by her husband, Jim; children, Brent (Becky) and Michael (Delanie); grandchildren, Jackson, Abigail, Ian and Duke; siblings, Gary (Peggy) Lepire, Margie (Chuck) Giles pie and brother-in-law's Jim Frome, Larry Darling and Bill (Jan) Reller. She was preceded in death by her parents, Adelard and Alexina; sisters, Delores Frome, Elaine Darling and Joyce Johnson; and brother-in-law, Herb Johnson.

The family would like to thank Father Bill Murtaugh and Father Stan Mader and staff, Ridgeview Home Healthcare, Guardian Home Healthcare, Encore Carver County, Havenwood of Minnetonka, Flagstone of Eden Prairie and Moments Hospice for their care, guidance and support.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at PAX CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH, 12100 Pioneer Trail, Eden Prairie, MN 55347, at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 10, 2023, with Father Bill Murtaugh presiding. Visitation will be held at WASHBURN-MCREAVEY EDEN PRAIRIE CHAPEL, 7625 Mitchell Road, Eden Prairie, MN 55344, from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 9, 2023, and at PAX CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH one hour prior to the Mass of Christian Burial.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be gifted in Donnas' name to the Alzheimer's Association (https://www.alz.org/?form=alz_donate).

Online condolences may be made at www.washburn-mcreavy.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 9. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Eden Prairie Chapel
7625 Mitchell Road
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

Visitation

MAR 10. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Pax Christi Catholic Church
12100 Pioneer Trail
Eden Prairie, MN 55347

Church Service

MAR 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Pax Christi Catholic Church
12100 Pioneer Trail
Eden Prairie, MN 55347

Graveside Service

APR 17. 11:30 AM - 11:15 AM (CT)

Fort Snelling National Cemetery
7601 34th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Tribute Wall

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“ *Jim, Brent, Michael and family: We went to express our sympathy for the loss of sweet beautiful Donna. We were so blessed to have many precious memories together. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Love,
John & Julie Effertz*

John & Julie Effertz - March 09, 2023 at 05:01 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Donna Jean Reller.*



March 08, 2023 at 12:33 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donna Jean Reller.*



March 07, 2023 at 11:29 AM

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“ Jim, Brent and family, Michael and family: Know that your in our thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time. Cherish all the great memories at the lake. Lots of great times. She was a fighter right to the end of this long journey. She will be missed by all who knew her. R.I.P. Our Special Sweet Donna Bill and Jan @ Mark

William Reller - February 24, 2023 at 09:02 PM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Donna Jean Reller.



February 23, 2023 at 09:14 PM