



Ms. Sandra Mae McElrath

April 2, 1946 - November 21, 2022

Sandra (Sandy) Mae McElrath, loving mom and Nana, of Plymouth, MN passed away peacefully on November 21, 2022, at the age of 76. She is preceded in death by her loving husband, Damian Edmund McElrath, her parents Carl and Edna Bonderson, sister and brother-in-law Tom & Karen Reed, nephew, Barry Reed. She will be greatly missed by her son Steven Grandstrand and wife Amy, her daughter Amy Hansen and husband Erik, and six grandchildren, Nicklaus Grandstrand, Megan (Adam) Douville, Ben (Morgan), Emily, Anna and Sara Hansen, siblings John (Nancy) Bonderson, Carol (Leo) Nelson, Ed (Grace) Bonderson, Joyce (Jim) Hanko, Annette (Clark) Rivard, and many nieces and nephews.

She was born on April 2, 1946, in St Paul, MN and grew up in Taylor's Falls, MN. She earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota in 1983 and became a CPA in 1984. She was able to use her gift with numbers while working with non-profits, various companies and accounting firms. But it was the love of the people she met at each of those places that she enjoyed so much. She was passionate about gardening, happy 'hour' patio parties which brought her family and friends together, her deep sense of spirituality, and that "things are as they should be". What she was most passionate about was her love for Damian, her children and grandchildren. This rowdy crowd is missing you Nana... until we see you again.

A memorial visitation will be held December 28 from 2 - 4:30 pm at Washburn McReavy Glen Haven Chapel - 5125 West Broadway, Crystal, MN. In lieu of flowers, please send a memorial to payitforwardfund.net in her memory.

Washburn-McReavy.com Glen Haven Chapel 763-533-8643

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

DEC **28**. 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Peterson family and the Bonderson family were very close. We Peterson children had a corresponding member in the Bonderson family. Mine was Sandy. At least once in each summer, the Peterson family would descend upon the Bonderson farm to stay for a few days. Sandy did all the milking; I was not used to those large cows and was very cautious around them! Paper dolls were the rage; we'd get new ones and cut them out. Some years ago we had a Bonderson/Peterson reunion at Carol and Leo's location. A trip over to the Bonderson farmstead was of course in the works, and we were stunned that we all fit in that house! Bondersons had 7 children, two more beyond our five; I am the youngest of the Peterson brood), and somehow we all fit in that little house. Good memories; good family. Sad to see this end....*

Naomi Peterson - December 27, 2022 at 08:22 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Sandra Mae McElrath.*



December 22, 2022 at 11:10 AM

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“ *Receiving memorials is the highest honor we can receive. ❤️ I enjoyed working with Sandra over the years. She had a calm demeanor and knew how to get things done. She was very valuable to our Pay It Forward board and will be missed. With love, Michelle Morey*

Michelle Morey - December 01, 2022 at 07:41 AM