



Diane Sharon O'Neel

October 23, 1945 - May 5, 2023

Diane Sharon (Johnson) O'Neel nee Ernhart went home to her Savior May 5, 2023. She was born October 23, 1945 to James and Valeria Ernhart of Dassel, Minnesota.

She is preceded in death by her parents and infant son, Joshua.

Diane's best-loved childhood memories were made on her grandparent's farm in Howard Lake, Minnesota. Helping grandpa in the barn and playing tricks on her 'city cousins' were true highlights. In September of 1965, she married Dick Johnson of Dassel and settled into life on a dairy farm. Diane immersed herself into her community, even starting a monthly card club that lasted for many years after her departure from Dassel. In March of 1980, Diane married Tom O'Neel and continued raising her family with devotion.

Diane was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. Her ready smile and quick wit endeared all who met her. Diane's love and pride for her family was evident. Nothing gave her more pleasure than watching her kids and grandchildren grow and thrive. Diane poured herself into every person she met and loved entertaining. She will be remembered for her Christmas sing-alongs, her countless hours of volunteering, her endless energy, her strong faith, and her ability to tailor virtually any item of clothing.

Diane is survived by her brother Jim (Mary) Ernhart of Elk River, Minnesota; and children: Amy (Kent) Dickson of Salem, Missouri; Abbey (Neil) Alle of Forest Lake, Minnesota; Noah Johnson of Isle, Minnesota; April (Aaron) Farrell of Overland Park, Kansas; Zach (Katie) O'Neel of Plymouth, Minnesota; Andi Conde of Hopkins, Minnesota; Brady (Katelyn) O'Neel of Dent, Minnesota; Abria O'Neel of St. Paul, Minnesota; Ray (Courtney) O'Neel of Brooklyn Park, Minnesota; Kris (Trevor) McLaughlin of Buffalo, Minnesota; Shaun (Kaitlyn) O'Neel of Redmond, Washington; Tiffani O'Neel of Minneapolis, Minnesota; Nathan O'Neel of Fort Worth, Texas; Britt O'Neel of Minneapolis, Minnesota; Anpo O'Neel of St. Cloud, Minnesota; Arliss O'Neel of Pensacola, Florida; and Tony O'Neel of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Diane's legacy will live on in 32 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral arrangements are provided by Fox Funeral Home in Licking, MO and Johnson Funeral Home in Dassel, MN. Services for Diane will be held at Johnson Funeral Home (611 2nd St.) on Tuesday, May 16 at 11am. Internment will follow at Swan Lake Cemetery in Dassel and a lunch and time of remembrance will be held at The Ergot Center (901 1st St.) in Dassel.

Cemetery Details

Swan Lake Cemetery

Dassel, MN 55325

Previous Events

Service

MAY **16**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Johnson Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall

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“ Enjoyed many Saturday nights playing cards with Diane and Tom, and watching the children grow. The Christmas sing-along was always a good time.

Dale Weiman - May 15, 2023 at 07:39 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Diane Sharon O'Neel.



May 15, 2023 at 07:23 AM

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“ Diane shared her love with my mom, Monica, and she held a special place in her heart. I will remember her fondly. Dane

Dane Silvernale - May 10, 2023 at 11:30 AM

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“ 70 files added to the album Family



Amy - May 10, 2023 at 08:23 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Diane Sharon O'Neel.



May 09, 2023 at 01:20 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Diane Sharon O'Neel.



May 09, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Diane Sharon O'Neel.



May 08, 2023 at 08:34 PM