



Mary Ann Andersen

January 11, 1963 - February 3, 2022

NORFOLK – Funeral service for Mary Ann Andersen, 59, of Norfolk will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at the St. John’s Lutheran Church in Norfolk. Rev. Randy Rasmussen will be officiating the service. Interment will be at the Prospect Hill Cemetery, Norfolk. Visitation will be 4:00-7:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 15, also at the church. Mary died Thursday, February 3, 2022, at St. Joseph’s Rehabilitation and Care Center in Norfolk after a short but hard-fought battle with pancreatic cancer. The Nebraska Nurse Honor Guard will present a tribute to Mary at the funeral. Stonacek Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Mary was born on January 11, 1963, the youngest child of Cliff and Violet (Landburg) Milander. She was raised on a farm north of Coleridge and attended Coleridge Community Schools, graduating in 1981. While in high school, she started working at Park View Haven nursing home in Coleridge, a job that would lead to a lifetime nursing career. After graduation from high school, she attended St. Luke’s School of Nursing in Sioux City. She graduated from St. Luke’s in May of 1984 and started working at the Norfolk Regional Center as an RN. Even though she had started her nursing career, Mary was a lifelong learner. She continued her nursing education while working full time, completing her Bachelors, then her Masters and eventually her APRN from University of Nebraska Med Center. She worked at the Norfolk Regional Center for 29 years, when she left she was the nurse supervisor on

the 1W ward. While working for the Regional Center, she also worked as an Adjunct instructor for NECC, guiding nursing students through their psych rotation. In 2013, she left the Regional Center and started her career as a nursing instructor at UNMC CON Northern Division on the NECC campus. Mary also worked as an APRN for Oasis Counseling beginning in 2017. Mary loved nursing and teaching the next generation of nurses.

Mary and Kevin Andersen were married on May 24, 1986 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Coleridge and they made their home in Hadar. Mary and Kevin were made for each other, and they celebrated 35 happy years of marriage together. They spent a great deal of time traveling to many sporting events, especially Husker football and volleyball games. They also spent a great amount of time attending their great-nieces and great-nephews activities—she loved watching any activity they were involved in, whether it be sports or the fine arts, you could find Mary and Kevin there cheering them on. They took many trips together, including the Rose Bowl to see the National Championship game in 2002, and to Washington DC in 2010 to take Kevin's mom and dad to see the WWII Memorial and Arlington National Cemetery. Mary was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Norfolk, The American Nurses Association, Sigma Theta Tau International, American Psychiatric Nurse Association, and the American Association of Nurse Practitioners.

Mary is survived by her husband, Kevin, her mother-in-law Betty Andersen, sister-in-laws and brothers-in-law Lois Milander, Betty Jo Deck, Linda (David)Kohl, Howard (Becky) Allvin and Gary (Carla) Andersen; several nieces and nephews and many great nieces and nephews and great great nieces and nephews. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, her brother, Wendell, her brother and sister-in-law William and Florene Milander, her father-in-law, Marvin Andersen, a niece, Vicky Kennedy and a nephew Christopher Andersen. The Nebraska Nurse Honor Guard will present a

tribute to Mary at the funeral.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Cemetery Details

Prospect Hill Cemetery - Norfolk

1500 Maple Avenue
Norfolk, NE 68701

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **15**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. John's Lutheran Church - Norfolk
1300 W. Benjamin Ave.
Norfolk, NE 68701

Funeral Service

FEB **16**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. John's Lutheran Church - Norfolk
1300 W. Benjamin Ave.
Norfolk, NE 68701

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Ann Andersen*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *CHS Class of 1981 purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mary Ann Andersen.*



CHS Class of 1981 - February 09, 2022 at 12:32 PM



“ *Comfort & Light 30" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Andersen.*



February 08, 2022 at 01:36 PM



“ *I also was extremely fortunate to work with Mary. She was extremely wise. I was one of the fortunate ones to call Mary my supervisor. She was a pleasure to work under. She always had a smi on her face. She was calm, cool and collected. Loved being around her. One memory was a certain Halloween. I still laugh about that . Enough said on that. RIP,Mary. Well done.*

Leann Weich - February 07, 2022 at 08:40 PM

SL

“ *My sympathy to Mary's family and friends. She will be missed.*

Susan Liston - February 07, 2022 at 05:21 PM

JF

“ *I was very fortunate to have worked with Mary for many years including her first night at NRC. She was a great coworker and supervisor, but also a special friend. She will be missed by many.*



Jeannie Fulton - February 07, 2022 at 12:51 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Andersen.*



February 07, 2022 at 12:34 PM

BS

“ *I worked for years with Mary at NRC. Mary always had a pleasant smile, was a beautiful person, great nurse and kind human being. So saddened to hear of her passing. My condolences to her family! Prayers!!*

Brenda Schroeder - February 06, 2022 at 10:26 PM

DD

“ We were so sorry to hear of Mary's passing. I was the Human Resources Manager during most of Mary's employment there and Betty worked in Health Information Management, so we both knew her and worked with her, Mary was a great nurse and unit supervisor and was an .even better person. She was always so friendly and pleasant to work with, even when we had some unpleasant HR issues to deal with. All of you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Don & Betty Dammast - February 06, 2022 at 05:43 PM



“ So sad to hear about Mary's passing. We were good friends in high school and I have many wonderful memories of our times together. Fly high Mary Ann. Til we meet again, Brenda Anderson-Sebastian, Class of '81, Coleridge, NE

Brenda Anderson-Sebastian - February 06, 2022 at 01:09 PM

AT

“ What a wonderful person loved seeing her at her nieces basket ball games. Rest In Peace

ann marie thies - February 04, 2022 at 01:23 PM

KB

Love you Mary! Rest in peace. My sympathy to the family. Kris Boe-Simmons

Kris Boe-Simmons - February 04, 2022 at 03:42 PM

LW

I first met Mary as a new Graduate Nurse who came to work at the NRC. I provided her orientation. Mary loved her work and provided care with dignity, love and compassion. I had the pleasure of working with Mary at UNMC College of Nursing in Norfolk for the past 5 years. So happy to have had time to reconnect with her after all these years. Mary put love into every aspect of her work and relationships. She will be greatly missed!

Lisa Walters - February 07, 2022 at 11:11 AM

 Anne Lange

Mary, you were cheerful, intelligent and well informed. and I am thankful I was able to work with you, Rest in peace,

Anne Lange - February 07, 2022 at 09:48 PM

TB

Mary was such a wonderful person who touched many lives. There has never been a more passionate Husker fan!

Tom Barr - February 10, 2022 at 12:54 PM

LR

I was honored to be the research advisor for Mary when she was working on her MSN at UNMC. She was an enthusiastic colleague and worked hard on data collection. We authored an article together and even traveled to Washington DC to present our research! She was always so caring to her patients.

Linda Jensen, PhD, MN. RN - February 12, 2022 at 05:50 PM

PW

Thoughts and prayers for Mary's family at this difficult time.

Pat and Wanetta Walker - February 13, 2022 at 12:07 PM

LJ

I will honor Mary with a memorial to the NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Nebraska Walk on May 21, 2022. She was always so respectful and helpful to people and their families struggling with mental illnesses.

Linda Jensen - February 14, 2022 at 09:45 AM