



Vonna Jean Reynolds

April 28, 1941 - June 5, 2024

NORFOLK – Graveside service for Vonna Jean (Richards) Reynolds, 83, will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at the Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery in Norfolk. Rev. John Petersen will be officiating the service. Vonna passed away on June 5, 2024 in Atlanta, Georgia. She was a beloved mother, grandmother, sister, and friend who will be deeply missed by all who knew her. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Huntsville Botanical Garden or The Michael J. Fox Foundation. Stonacek Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Vonna was born on April 28, 1941 in Wayne, NE to Edwin and Frieda (Wacker) Richards. She grew up in Wisner, NE. She graduated 1st in her class from Wisner High School in 1958 where she was part of vocal, pep club, class plays and editor of her senior yearbook.

She attended Hastings College, graduating in 1963 Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts in English. Following graduation, she lived shortly in Omaha, California, and New Jersey. In 1971 she moved with her husband, John Reynolds, to Huntsville, AL. She lived there for 53 years. She spent the significant part of her career as part of an engineering company, Physitron, Inc. She helped found the company in 1985 and worked there until her retirement in 2006.

More than anything, Vonna was devoted to her family. She loved spending time with her daughters, but what made her happiest was her 3 grandchildren. Once they came into her life her favorite moments were with them – playing games, swimming, watching movies and just being together, especially during the holidays.

In her free time, Vonna loved music. She played the piano and sang starting at a young age. She was a long-time member of the Huntsville Community Chorus. She enjoyed aerobics, travel, tennis, bowling, boating and live concerts & theater.

She also cherished spending time with close friends she made for life. She had the same best friend from age 5. They supported each other throughout their lives, enjoying adventures & travel together to places like Hawaii, Alaska, and France. She had a close group of college friends who, although they scattered all over the country after graduating, still got together on a regular basis and had a chain letter going for decades. Her friend group was rounded out by a tightknit group in Alabama that shared travels, concerts, games, meals, and many laughs.

Vonna is survived by her children, Jennifer Reynolds Lewis & Rebecca Reynolds Barrett, her sons-in-law, Jamie Lewis & Taff Barrett, and her grandchildren, Kendall Lewis, Owen Lewis, and Riley Barrett. She is also survived by her brother, Gaylord Richards, sister-in-law Mary Holt & nephew Michael Richards. She was preceded in death by her father, Edwin Richards and mother, Frieda Richards.

Vonna touched the lives of many people over her 83 years with her genuine generosity, thoughtfulness, and love.

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

hapel.com.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery - Norfolk

1950 N. 13th St.
Norfolk, NE 68701

Previous Events

Graveside Service

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

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Tribute Wall

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“ Vonna was a dear friend. She was so proud her daughters and their families, never failing to mention them in every conversation. Her life long childhood friend was Dixie, who's friendship she treasured. I will never forget you Vonna, and thank you for many years of fun and friendship.

Janet Burns - August 13, 2024 at 07:01 PM