



Deb Mathany

December 20, 1949 - August 27, 2020

Deb Mathany, 70 of West Des Moines, and formerly of Dedham and Carroll, died Thursday, August 27, 2020 at MercyOne Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m., Monday, August 31, 2020 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Dedham. The Celebrant will be Fr. Patrick Behm, assisted by Deacon Louis Meiners. Music will be by Cindy Bauer. Lector for the funeral mass will be Megan Volp. Honorary Gift Bearer will be Lauren Rotherham. Casket Bearers will be Jeremy Mathany-Lund, Tom Rotherham, Corey Mathany-Lund, Nathan Rotherham, Bob Volp and Aiden Volp. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Dedham.

Visitation will be held from 3-5 p.m. on Sunday at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll. There will be no public visitation on Monday at the church. Those attending the funeral mass are required to wear a face covering and abide by COVID 19 social distancing guidelines. Face coverings are recommended at the funeral home.

Should one desire, cards can be mailed to Sharp Funeral Home, c/o Deb Mathany Family, 226 W. 8th St. Carroll, IA 51401.

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left for Deb's family at www.sharpfuneral.com.

Born on December 20, 1949 in Carroll, Iowa, Deb was the daughter of Harry and Shirley (Axman) Christensen. She attended St. Joseph's School in

Dedham and later graduated from Kuemper Catholic High School in 1968. On December 4, 1971, Deb was united in marriage to Richard Mathany at St. Anthony's Church in Des Moines, Iowa. The couple had two children and made their home in Des Moines until 1977 when they moved to Dedham. Deb was employed for 32 years at New Opportunities with the WIC Program. She also worked part-time at Walmart for over 14 years. Both jobs allowed Deb to do what she truly loved; being around people. In 2015, Deb and Rich returned to the Des Moines area.

Deb enjoyed attending movies, vacationing, playing cards, photography, and listening to music, especially Elvis. Her greatest love and joy were spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Deb is survived by her husband Rich Mathany of West Des Moines; her children: Becki (Tom) Rotherham of West Des Moines, and Jeremy (Corey) Mathany-Lund of Sioux Falls, SD; her grandchildren: Lauren Rotherham and Nathan Rotherham, both of West Des Moines; her siblings: Dixie Christensen of West Des Moines, Dr. Donald (Nancy) Christensen of Texas, JoAnn (Bob) Nair of Des Moines, and Duane (Betty) Christensen of Georgia; her sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law: Myrna Laird of Spencer, Dave (Linda) Mathany of Woodburn, Loretta (Ron) Kelly of Afton, Lenora Newton of Ankeny and Donna Hinderks of Osage; as well as aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and other extended relatives.

Her parents, Harry and Shirley Christensen, and her brother Dale Christensen preceded her in death.

Tribute Wall

DP

“ You have our deepest sympathy Rich, Jeremy, Becky, & all family. I'm sure she's in heaven catching up with Ron & Karma, & probably teaching pig Latin to everybody! She was a great woman!! Tim & Deb Pietig

Deb Pietig - September 01, 2020 at 10:45 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Deb Mathany.



August 30, 2020 at 11:19 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deb Mathany.



August 30, 2020 at 07:40 PM

SH

“ Sarah Heinen lit a candle in memory of Deb Mathany



Sarah Heinen - August 30, 2020 at 02:13 PM

KN

“ *Karan L Hathcock Nieland lit a candle in memory of Deb Mathany*



karan I hathcock nieland - August 30, 2020 at 01:35 PM

KN

Thinking of all her family especially my truest life long friend her sister Dixie. We grew up together. Lots of memories thru life. God has gotten a true angel for sure. Rest in peace friend.

karan I hathcock nieland - August 30, 2020 at 01:41 PM

LT

Deb the sweetest lady. Rest in peace

Linda Tunning - August 30, 2020 at 10:20 PM

DW

I am so sorry for your loss. She was a good friend when we were growing up in the Dedham area

Dee Winnett-Zook - August 31, 2020 at 12:23 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Deb Mathany.*



August 30, 2020 at 01:23 PM



“ *Helping Teens Work Through Grief was purchased for the family of Deb Mathany.*



August 30, 2020 at 05:39 AM



“ *Share the Health was purchased for the family of Deb Mathany.*



August 30, 2020 at 05:32 AM



“ *Deb and I became close friends before kindergarten, as neighbors and remained close thru high school and beyond. We had matching outfits including shoes we wore to grade school. So many stories we could tell, including coloring our hair green(me) and blue (Deb) on St Patrick's Day, going to school, being sent to Sister Camille after Mass to be sent home to wash our hair and going back to school with our hair in juice cans while it dried. So many fun times shared listening to records on the north side of Deb's house on summer evenings. We knew the word to every song. So many memories we could trigger by just one word....I know she is already getting reacquainted with others gone before her in heaven. Looking forward to someday creating mischief with her again... My thoughts and prayers to Rich, Becky, Jeremy and others. You have your own special angel in heaven now watching over you.*

Jean Brady - August 29, 2020 at 10:34 PM

PS

well said Jean I was just telling my friend about how we used to sit and play records on the north porch such fond memories

Pam Schmitz - September 01, 2020 at 12:45 AM

AJ

“ *I worked with Deb at Walmart many years ago!! I still have the fondest memories of her! Her smile. Her laugh and her love for Elvis!!! You now have your wings....fly high my friend!*

Ashley Jackson - August 29, 2020 at 09:12 PM

SC

“ *I am so sorry about Deb's passing. She was always so friendly and welcoming. She made me feel very comfortable when I met the family! Love and good thoughts to her forever.*

Stephanie Cook - August 29, 2020 at 07:55 PM

LD

“ *So sorry for the loss of your mother Becki. We are praying for you, Tom, Nathan, Lauren , your Dad and all of your family. Prayers the Odgaard's.*

Laura Dakovich - August 29, 2020 at 03:13 PM

TR

“ *So sorry to hear of Deb's passing. I worked with Deb for years at WIC. She was such a warm and kind person and so much fun. So sorry for your loss. Heaven gained a special angel!❤️*

Terry Romey - August 29, 2020 at 02:40 PM

DC

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



David Cook - August 29, 2020 at 01:47 PM

LM

“ So sorry to hear of your moms passing. I only met her a couple of times , she was a very nice lady. My thoughts and prayers are with you Becki and your family!

Lisa (Shank) Miller

lisa miller - August 29, 2020 at 01:46 PM

DC

“ I met Deb working at Wal-Mart. She was always so fun to work with. What a remarkable lady. Rest in peace Deb



Diane Campbell - August 29, 2020 at 01:17 PM

SC

“ So sorry to hear of Deb's passing. She was a second mom to me. Such a sweet, kind soul. Thinking of all of you!

Susan Chance

Susan Chance - August 28, 2020 at 08:51 PM

TW

“ I will always remember Deb and the fun we used to have working together at Wal-Mart. Very sad to hear of her passing. Peace and comfort to her family. <3

Tiffini Worley - August 28, 2020 at 03:47 PM

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“ To Deb's Family,
Rich, Becky and Jeremy



I am so sorry and sad to hear about Deb's passing. 🙏🙏

Not only was she a great person, she was a kind hearted neighbor and was always up for conversation when we'd see each other.

May the Lord welcome her home. 🙏🙏🙏

I know that this is so difficult at this time, Take time to grieve and remember all the good times , hold them dear to your heart 🙏❤️
I Know from my own experience that it does get a bit better but no one can replace a parent. Your all in my thoughts and prayers.

Fly high Dedham Friend and Neighbor
May the Lord Bless your family
Until we meet again
RIP Deb

Tracy Sturm (Meiners) - August 28, 2020 at 12:36 PM

CC

“ To the best friend anyone could have . RIP Deb. Fly high my special Angel. Will never forget 🙏 the good times we had. Until we meet again Deb. Love you to the moon and back. Still can't believe you are gone. Cheryl Cruchelow

cheryl cruchelow - August 28, 2020 at 12:11 PM