

Sandra D. Wheeler, 75, Detroit Lakes died Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at her residence and under care of Hospice of the Red River Valley.

Sandra Dale Wheeler was born July 1, 1942 in Rush Lake Township near Ottertail, MN to Eugene and Gladys (Motz) Dale. She attended school in Richville, MN and high school at Perham Public Schools. She was united in marriage to Alan Steinke in 1960 and they were blessed with a baby boy, Stephon Boyd in 1961. Sandra moved to Houston, TX in 1963 where she lived until she returned to Detroit Lakes in September of 2016. Sandra successfully owned and operated several businesses over the years. She retired from “RK’s” in 2000. Later in life Sandra met and married John Wheeler and they had 23 beautiful years together. During her retirement, Sandra enjoyed tending to her flower beds, reading and swimming in her pool.

Sandra is survived by her son, Stephon Steinke of Winthrop, MN, two step-children; Susan Miltau and Ralph Wheeler of Houston, TX., two brothers: Arlan (Linda) Dale of Crystal City, Manitoba Canada, Paul (Sue) Dale of Cottage Grove, MN and one sister: Deborah (Harvey) Herbst of Frazee, MN.



*Celebrating the Life of
Sandra Dale Wheeler*

Footprints

One night I dreamed a dream. In it I was walking along a beach with the Lord. Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life. For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand, one belonging to me, and the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of my life flashed before me, I looked back at the footprints in the sand. I noticed that at many times along the path of my life, there was only one set of footprints and realized that they came at the hardest and saddest times of my life.

This really troubled me, so I asked the Lord about it. "Lord; you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I noticed that during the saddest and most troublesome times of my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why, when I needed you the most, you would leave me."

He whispered, "My precious child. I love you and I will never leave you. I was with you during the storms of your life, I was there when you were doubtful and I was there when you were fearful. When you saw only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

With Love We Remember

Sandra Dale Wheeler

July 1, 1942 ~ January 30, 2018



SERVICE OF LOVE AND REMEMBRANCE

Saturday, February 10, 2018 - 11:00 AM

David-Donhower Funeral Home

Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

OFFICIATING

Chaplain Lauryl Ivers

SPECIAL MUSIC

Arlan Dale and Paul Dale, *Soloist's*

HONORARY URN BEARERS

Paul Dale, Arlan Dale, Scott Perala

Chad Sonnenberg and Tom Perala