



Donna Diane Summers was born September 28, 1951, in Hawarden, Iowa, the daughter of Earl and Wilma Degen. She graduated from West Sioux High School in May of 1969 and then attended Worthington Jr. College. She had various bookkeeping jobs throughout her career and worked for many years at the Ireton Feed Store where she retired in 2014.

Donna married Mel Schwiesow on August 7th, 1972. To this union, Donna had three children, Ryan (Heather) Schwiesow of Hawarden, Devin (Keely) Schwiesow of St. Ansgar, and Kendra (Otto) Clifton of Milton, Georgia. On September 9th, 2000,

Donna married Terry Summers. They made their life together in Ireton for 22 years until her passing on Friday, September 2, 2022 surrounded by her family, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Donna enjoyed sitting on her porch and enjoying the company of many friends she had in Hawarden and Ireton. She could be found in her younger years running around with her girlfriends enjoying social activities and enjoying each other's company. You could often find her driving her golf cart around Ireton (occasionally in St. Ansgar) waving to everyone she met and lighting up the town with her smile. She loved getting together with her family and was often the person in charge of organizing such events. Christmas was her favorite holiday to celebrate these gatherings, as she loved to celebrate by playing games, most of which she made up that required wearing funny hats. Her true love was cheering on her children, and then her grandchildren during all their athletic and musical events. She loved all her family with her whole heart.

She is survived by her husband, Terry; three children, Ryan and wife Heather Schwiesow and their children, Payton, and Aaden of Hawarden, Iowa, and Devin and wife Keely Schwiesow and their children, Kennedy, Jayce, Porter, and Lincoln of St. Ansgar, Iowa, and Kendra and husband Otto Clifton and their children, Jackson, Rylan, and Degen of Milton, Georgia; three siblings, sister Barb Marineau of Sheldon, Iowa, brother Mark and wife Julie Degen of Ireton, and brother Todd wife Linda Degen of Spirit Lake, Iowa; Step-Mom, Pert Degen of Merville; and many nieces, nephews and many great friends.

## *In Loving Memory of Donna Diane Summers*

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

1:30 p.m. Sunday, September 11, 2022  
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ireton, Iowa

### OFFICIATING

Rev. Michael Boothby

### SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Amazing Grace"* On piano by Jackson Clifton

*"I Can Only Imagine"* MercyMe

*"Who Am I"* Casting Crowns

### HONORARY BEARERS

Payton Schwiesow ~ Aaden Schwiesow

Kennedy Schwiesow ~ Jayce Schwiesow

Porter Schwiesow ~ Lincoln Schwiesow

Jackson Clifton ~ Rylan Clifton ~ Degen Clifton

### INURNMENT

Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Ireton, Iowa

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Opening Song – *"I Can Only Imagine"*

Invocation

Remembrance of Baptism

Psalm 23

Kyrie

Collect of the Day

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 43:1–3

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

John 10:11–15

Apostles' Creed

Special Music – *"Amazing Grace"* - played by Jackson Clifton

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Nunc Dimittis

Concluding Collect

Benedicamus and Benediction

Closing Music and Slideshow – *"Who I Am"*

*Please join Donna's family at the Ireton City Park following the committal service.*





# *Celebrating The Life Of Donna Diane Summers*

When tomorrow starts without me  
Please try to understand  
That an angel came and called my name  
All took me by the hand  
The angel said my place was ready  
In heaven far above  
And That I would have to leave behind  
All those I Dearly Love  
But When I walked through Heaven's Gates  
I felt so much at home  
When GOD looked down and smiled at me  
And told me "Welcome Home"  
So When Tomorrow starts without me  
Do not think we're apart  
For every time you think of me  
Remember I'm right here in your heart



*September 28, 1951*

*September 2, 2022*

