

Rose Marie was born on November 13, 1961, in Adrian, Minnesota the daughter of Louis and Virginia (Strouth) Ripperger. She grew up in the Fulda and Adrian area and graduated from Fulda High School. She furthered her education attending Pipestone and Alexandria Technical College where she received her Associates Degree.

On May 19, 1990 Rose was united in marriage to Brian Engstrom at St. Petri Lutheran Church. The couple lived in Evansville all their married life where they raised their two daughters. Rose worked at Steinbring Chevrolet for over 20 years and while there held several different positions throughout her career. For the past nine years she was an Office Administrative Assistant at Midwest Machinery. For the past 15 years during her time away from work she also enjoyed working at the different bars that have been in Evansville and was currently bartending at Backroads Steakhouse.

Rose was a wonderful wife, mom and grandma. She loved spending time with her two daughters and grandkids, along with fishing in Canada with Brian. She will be remembered as a hardworking, loyal, dependable person and someone who would drop everything to help her family and friends. Rose liked to bake and cook for others. It could be for a church event, monthly work birthdays, volunteering events or a family gathering. No matter the event, she was always sure to have enough food to go around.

Rose passed away on Tuesday, December 28, 2021. She is survived by her husband, Brian; daughters: Kari (Erick) Anderson, Brandi (Andy) Mandt; five grandchildren: Brennan, Brianna, Elizabeth, McKinley, Brooklyn.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers: Joseph, James.

Remembering the Life Of



Rose Marie Engstrom

1961 - 2021

Footprints In The Sand

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord. When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life. This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me." The Lord replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During the times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

In Loving Memory of

Rose Marie Engstrom

November 13, 1961 ✠ December 28, 2021

Funeral Service

Anderson Funeral Home
Alexandria, Minnesota
Friday, January 7, 2022
1:00 PM

Officiant

Pastor David Gran

Musical Selections

Jealous of the Angels
Dancing in the Sky
Holes in the Floor of Heaven

Arrangements

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Alexandria, Minnesota