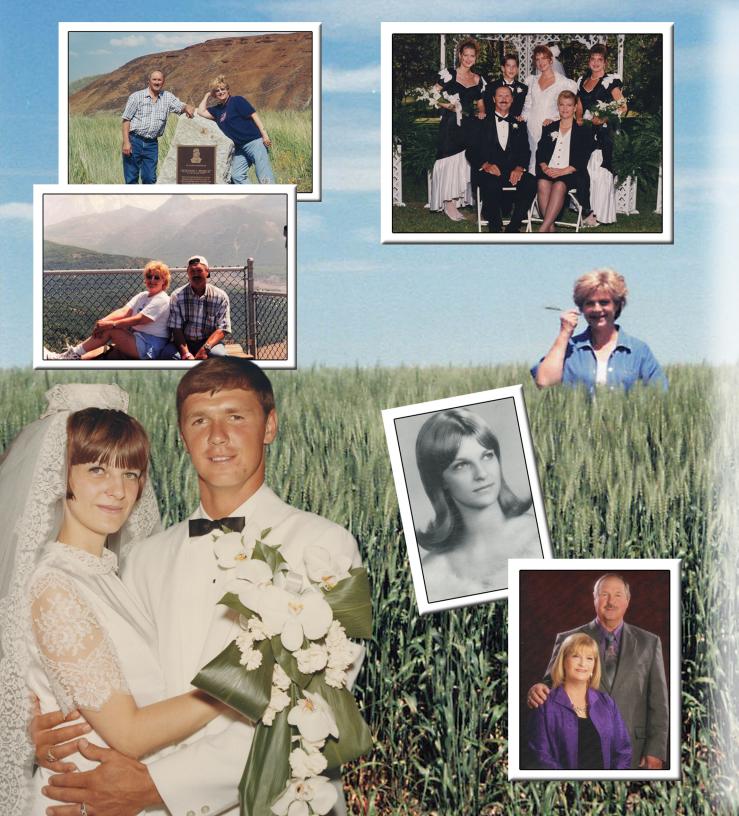
Jennifer was a dedicated wife and loving mother. She was truly an amazing woman who had a perfect love for her children, husband, friends, and family. Jen was known for her selfless nature, and for repeatedly putting the needs of others before her own. She was strong and brave, and she faced every challenge in life with dignity, courage, and a sense of humor. Jennifer entered this world on August 13th, 1949, to Margaret (Moors) and Clayton Bruggeman in Thief River Falls, MN. The Bruggeman family moved from Minnesota, to Williston, ND, and eventually settled in Sidney, MT, where Jennifer attended local private and public schools. Jennifer was active in a variety of activities including cheer squad, performing as a majorette, and participating in anything related to art, music, fashion, and dance. Jennifer went on to graduate from Sidney High School in 1968. Jennifer's life journey took an exciting turn when she met Allan while she was working at a local shoe store in Sidney. Their chance meeting was a memorable one, as Allan attempted to strike up conversation with Jen, by inquiring about the availability of baby pink colored shoe polish. To the amazement of both. Jennifer was able to locate a single, container of old, but unused, baby pink shoe polish. That was to be the start of their whirlwind courtship, which led to their marriage on July 27th, 1968. Jen and Al eventually moved to the South Heart area where Allan could return to his passion to farm and ranch, and he and his "city girl" would settle on the original Eberts family homestead where they started their beautiful family. Jen took to farm and ranch life, and she thoroughly enjoyed all aspects! From planting and harvesting crops, to working with livestock and keeping chickens, Jennifer embraced every bit – including making care packages in the form of tasty meals for those working hard in the fields at different seasons. Planting her large garden in the late spring and tending to her flowers in the summer months, brought Jennifer pure joy – although it was always a fight keeping a stray dog or cat out of her flower beds! Jennifer was a wonderful example of Christian motherhood. Jennifer's religious life was best displayed in her involvement with Catholic Daughter's of the Americas, and with the Saint

Mary's Catholic Church Parish, in which she served at different times as director of the youth choir, CCD teacher, and a member of the Altar Society. Jennifer also had the opportunity to display her artistic talents for St. Mary's, when she was commissioned to create beautiful decorative church banners, which hung for years in the parish. As Jennifer's children became more independent, she felt a strong desire to return to the workforce. Jennifer prayed for the Lord's guidance in helping her find a role that would allow flexibility in scheduling with her family and allow her to be of service to others. God answered these prayers by connecting Jen with Easter Seals, where she served as a respite care provider for multiple families over the years. Jennifer also went on to assist in establishing and working with the Lakehouse Kids program, and she volunteered her time as adult ambassador and camp counselor for the Teen Institute Youth Empowerment Program. Jennifer enjoyed many hobbies including gardening, shopping, sewing, dancing (she especially loved anything disco), singing, playing cards, having visits with company, enjoying anything coffee, reading, taking long drives with her hubby/co-pilot, and spending as much time with her grandchildren as possible. Her giving, selfless nature will live on through the countless lives she touched, and undoubtedly, she will serve as our own little guardian angel to guide us on our life journeys. Jennifer was predeceased by her parents, Margaret and Clayton Bruggeman; her father and mother inlaw, Edward and Johanna Eberts; her brother, James (Jim) Bruggeman; and three nephews, Steven and Joseph Burkhardt, and Damon McLaughlin. She is survived by her husband Allan, of just shy of 54 years; her children, Kristin (Bill) Young, Snohomish, WA; Kariann (Jim) Short, Katy, TX; Michelle (Kory) Knudson, Snohomish, WA; and Paul Eberts (Brandie Smith), Dickinson, ND. Jennifer leaves behind her nine adored grandchildren; her sisters Jacqueline (Roger) Burkhardt, Martinsdale, MT; Julie McLaughlin, Colorado Springs, CO; Jill Miller; Joanne Bruggeman Powell (Jay Dee Powell), Chinook, MT; Jean Bruggeman, Colorado Springs, CO; as well as many more beloved family and friends.





# Jennifer Eberts

# **FUNERAL MASS**

Tuesday, July 12, 2022 11:00 am St. Mary's Catholic Church South Heart, North Dakota

# **ROSARY & VIGIL**

Monday, July 11, 2022 6:00 pm Stevenson Funeral Home Dickinson, North Dakota Deacon Ron Keller

# **CELEBRATING**

Father Shane Campbell

#### **MUSIC**

Sandee Meduna St. Mary's Church Choir

#### READERS

Jean Bruggeman Jessica Palaniuk

#### **PALLBEARERS**

Sydney Finch Sarah Short Gavin Knudson Seth Short Trevor Lefor Ryan Hutzenbuhler

# HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Gweneth Hope Knudson Axel Eberts

# **INTERMENT**

Wednesday, July 13, 2022 11:00 am St. Mary's Cemetery South Heart, North Dakota

#### ARRANGEMENTS BY

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Lunch will be served at the church immediately following the Funeral Mass. Everyone is welcome.