

Nancy Ann (Houge) Gilbertson was born on May 8, 1957, to Bernard and Marian (Ochs) Houge in Albert Lea, MN. After graduating from high school, Nancy attended the Minnesota School of Business in the Twin Cities where she earned her associates degree as a legal secretary. She married her high-school sweetheart, Steven Gilbertson, on June 24, 1978. The couple was blessed with three children: Matthew, Stacy, and Michael.

In 1978, the couple moved to Alexandria, MN where Nancy worked as a legal secretary for a couple of years. From 1980-1990, Steve and Nancy owned and operated Jake's Pizza in Alexandria. Nancy then spent several years as an executive assistant at RCC/Verizon. The last 10 years of her career were spent as Administrative Lead at Knute Nelson's Grand Arbor.

Nancy always kept herself busy whether it was decorating her home for the seasons, singing in her choir and with the Praise Team, playing cribbage and cards, volunteering at Love INC, or entertaining family and friends. She also loved to travel especially to Las Vegas and Puerto Vallarta, going for pontoon rides around the Chain of Lakes on the "S.S. Chip", and spending time with her many circles of girlfriends. However, what Nancy enjoyed most was spending time with family and the constant entertainment provided by her 8 young grandkids.

Nancy was a faith-filled woman with a kind and generous spirit and will be dearly missed by all of her family and friends.

Nancy died surrounded by her family on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at her home in Alexandria, at the age of 65. She is survived by her husband: Steve Gilbertson; three children: Matthew (Kari) Gilbertson, Stacy (Jason) Faith, and Michael (Stephanie) Gilbertson; eight grandchildren: Brayden, Landon, Fletcher, Graham, Hannah, Beau, Hunter, and Liam; brother: Jerry (Becky) Houge; two sisters: Jacque (Robert) Bogue and Diane (Stafford) Sterner; two brothers-in-law: Terry (Carolyn) Gilbertson and Tom Nelsen; two sisters-in-law: Sue (Bill) Barber and Lanae (Larry) Thorstad; and several nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews. Nancy is preceded in death by her parents: Bernard and Marian Houge; father and mother-in-law: Kermit and Marie Gilbertson; and sister-in-law: Linda Nelsen.

In Loving Memory



Nancy A. Gilbertson

1957~ 2022

*“Be still, and know that I am
God;
I will be exalted among the
nations,
I will be exalted in the earth.”*

Psalm 46:10

In Memory of
Nancy Ann Gilbertson

May 8, 1957 † May 26, 2022

Memorial Service

Mount Carmel Ministries
Alexandria, Minnesota
Wednesday, June 1, 2022
11:00 AM

Officiant

Reverend Nate Hanson
Chaplain, Colonel Gerald Houge USAF Retired

Musicians

Mark Graf

Music

*On Eagles Wings
Prayer of St. Francis
Jesus Remember Me
Eye Has Not Seen*

Honorary Urn Bearers

“Nancy’s Grandchildren”

Brayden Faith, Landon Faith, Fletcher Gilbertson,
Graham Gilbertson, Hannah Gilbertson,
Beau Gilbertson, Hunter Gilbertson,
Liam Gilbertson