

You can have one special grandmother Patient kind and true; No other friend in all the world, Will be the same to you. When other friends forsake you, To Grandma you will return, all her loving kindness, She asks nothing in return. As we look upon her picture, Sweet memories we recall, Of a face so full of sunshine, And a smile for one and all. Sweet Jesus, take this message, To our dear Grandma up above; Tell her how we miss her, And give her all our love. ~ Author Unknown

Dedicated to our grandma, you will forever be missed - Ashley & Amber



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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Diane Christine Burns



SUNRISE
August 24, 1950

SUNSET July 14, 2024

CELEBRATION OF LIFE CEREMONY

Saturday, August 24, 2024 ~ 10:00am Rose City Cemetary and Funeral Home 5625 NE Fremont Street Portland, Oregon 97213

Obituary

Diane Christine Burns (Andersen), aged 73, passed away on July 14, 2024, surrounded by her family and friends in Portland, Oregon. Born on August 24, 1950, in Cedar Falls, Iowa, the youngest of 4 children raised on the working family farm in Dike, IA. Diane was a vibrant and outgoing individual who embraced life with zeal and a spirit of adventure. Diane dedicated her 30-year career to educating young minds as an elementary school teacher in the Parkrose school district. She was beloved for her ability to recognize and nurture the unique qualities of each student, instilling in them the confidence to make a positive impact in the world.

Diane was the heart and soul of her family, a woman of faith who brought so much comfort and joy to those around her. As a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend, her love was endless and made everyone feel special. Always there with an open ear, Diane offered a listening heart, comforting words, and wise advice, making everyone feel heard and valued. Whether it was sharing a quiet moment or enjoying a fun outing, she created lasting memories, enriching the lives of her loved ones.

Her passion for travel and love of nature and the outdoors inspired countless family road trips, where she explored numerous national parks and landmarks along the way. Diane's laughter was infectious, filling every room and elevating the mood during spirited games and lively conversations. She truly made the world a brighter place, and her legacy of love and kindness will continue to resonate in the hearts of those who were lucky enough to know her.

Diane is survived by her sons, Justin and Joshua Burns; granddaughters, Ashley Fritchie and Amber Burns; and great-grandsons, Emmit and Elliot. She was preceded in death by her father, Erhart Andersen; mother, Agnes Sloth Andersen; and brothers, Kenneth, Ronald, and Gary Andersen.

A celebration of Diane's life will be held at Rose City Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Diane's memory can be made to the Alzheimer's Association at ALZ.org, a cause close to her heart. Diane will be remembered for her generous spirit, her dedication to her family, friends, and students, and her enduring influence on all who knew her.

Order of Service

Introduction	Rev. Jadia Ward
Eulogy	Read by Justin
Biblical Reading	Rev. Michael Ward
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Biblical Reading & Poem.	Revs. Michael & Jadia Ward
Lord's Prayer Recital	Rev. Michael Ward & Guests
Poem	"Do Not Stand by My Grave and Weep" Read by Rev. Jadia Ward
Closing Committal	Rev. Michael Ward
Benediction	Rev. Michael Ward