

Jackie Kay DeVillers

Jackie entered our world on September 24, 1954, in Milwaukee, WI. She spent the majority of her life in Valley City, ND with her family. She attended the “Open Door Day Activity Center” starting in 1959.

Jackie moved to Wahpeton in 2009 with her parents and attended the “Red River Human Services Day Activity Center”.

Jackie never won any awards or received any accolades during her lifetime, these items were not important to her. Everyone she met was a friend and she would invite them to “come play” and bring their “jammies”. She loved everyone without hesitation, especially children. She loved her family and always wanted them to “come home”!

Jackie leaves behind her parents Dr. “Daddy Pop” Keith DeVillers and “Momma” Joyce (Fredrickson) DeVillers, Wahpeton, ND; brother, “Baby Jeff” Jeffrey (Marcia) DeVillers, Fargo, ND; sister-in-law, Debbie DeVillers, Perham, MN; sister, “Buppie” Barbara (Roger) DeVillers-Eckert, Dent, MN; brother, “Boy” Damon (Sandy) DeVillers Wahpeton, ND; nieces and Nephews, Danielle and Nicholas DeVillers Perham, MN, Scott (Amanda) Eckert Fargo, ND and Ashley (Brad) Aschnewitz, Fergus Fall, MN, Megan, Jessica and Cassandra DeVillers, Wahpeton, ND; and aunt, Karen (Ken) Witt and Harriet DeVillers.

Jackie was preceded in death by her infant sister, Vicky; her grandparents, Ted and Erma Fredrickson and Phil and Agnes DeVillers; her aunt’s and uncle’s, Gene and Shirley Briss, Karen DeVillers, Kenneth DeVillers, and Otis Hoggarth.

The family would like to thank Hospice and the nursing staff who so graciously helped Jackie in the last year.

In lieu of flowers the family would like memorials to be directed to the Open-Door Day Activity Center in Valley City, ND or a charity of your choice.



Jacqueline Kay DeVillers
1954 - 2022



Dear Mom,
Even without my words, you always know what I need.

When I am hurting or afraid, frustrated, or weary, you gather me home into the safety of your arms.

You know what makes me smile and fills my face with light.

You make me happy when you sing my favorite song and sweep the softness of my favorite blanket across the curve of my cheek. And when you take me for walks and I feel the warmth of the sun, the cool breeze brushing by my skin.

You ignore the words of others telling you what I cannot do, and then fill the hours of every day telling me what I *can*.

Every day, you see other kids doing more, yet you celebrate *me*. Pushing away sadness, you focus on the hope of my future. You let my simple, small steps lead us forward.

Never standing still, always in motion, you move before me. Your planning, protective and positive, prepares me for success -- meeting new people and new everyday challenges.

... and Mom in case I ever go before I can whisper my words of thanks, or wrap my arms around you, know what I know: That before you someday soothe me into heaven's sleep, with you, I live the fullest life and I see the world through your understanding eyes. With your gentle touch, you fill my life to overflowing with the greatest kind of love.

In Loving Memory of
Jackie Kay DeVillers



Born

September 24, 1954 - Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Passed Away

November 21, 2022 - Wahpeton, North Dakota

Age

68 Years 1 Month 28 Days

Mass Of Christian Burial

11:00 AM - Saturday, November 26, 2022
St. John's Catholic Church - Wahpeton, North Dakota

Officiant

Fr. Dale Lagodinski

Organist

Pat Keaveny

Cantor

Brian Olsen

Special Music

Duet - "How Great Thou Art"
Piano - Sandy DeVillers - Trumpet - Jeff DeVillers

Pallbearers

Danielle DeVillers, Nick DeVillers, Megan DeVillers
Jessica DeVillers, Cassandra DeVillers, Ashley Aschnewitz

Interment

Calvary Cemetery - Wahpeton, North Dakota