

Rebecca Ann Colberg, age 70, Arden Hills resident, passed away on November 10, 2022 at the U of M Medical Center.

Rebecca "Becky" was born on December 3, 1951 in Duluth to Kenneth and Joyce Nelson. She attended Cloquet High School, graduating in 1969, and then from the University of Minnesota, Duluth, where she received Bachelor's degrees in English, theater, and education, followed by a Master's degree in Administration. In high school she was involved in theatre, rifle team, and Job's Daughters. In later years, she volunteered as a 4-H leader and play director for youth theatre.

Becky worked for the University of Minnesota for 48 years in various departments, ending her career in 2017 as administrator for the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

She seriously loved: directing family activities, the condo on Bay Lake, theatre, shopping, playing board games, arguing politics, national and Latin American travel, and her special companion, the Havanese Miss Molly. She was an avid reader and always dreamed of writing a novel, but sadly never got that far. Too bad, it would have been a darn good book. In the last few years Becky developed a yen for cooking and baking, which was appreciated by the rest of her family.

Becky was preceded in death by her parents; grandparents, including her special Grandma Kay; 3-day-old sister, Gail; her father-in-law, Lyle Colberg; and her brother-in-law, Alan Colberg.

She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Gregory Lyle; daughters, Krysta Kay and Kari Lynn; grandson, Dominick Kokopelli Durante; sisters, Lynn Howard (GP) of Collyville, Texas, Lisa Johnson of Shoreview; brothers, Scott Nelson (Bennie) of Wichita Falls, Texas, and Brady Nelson (Carla) of Carlton, Minnesota; sister-in-law Loretta Ferree (Robert) of Plainfield, Indiana, and Jackie Colberg of Lindstrom, Minnesota; mother-in-law Margaret Colberg from Esko, Minnesota; and several cousins, nieces, and nephews; other loving family and friends.



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 only 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,"

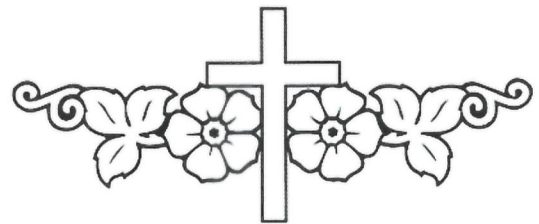


The Lord replied, "My son, my precious child, I LOVE YOU and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints.

It was then that I carried you."

Forever In Our Hearts
Rebecca Ann Colberg

December 3, 1951 ~ November 10, 2022



Memorial Service
Miller Funeral Home
6210 Highway 65 Northeast
Fridley, Minnesota
Tuesday, December 6, 2022
11:00 a.m.

Officiating
Pastor Phil Gotsch

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