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lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters,
He restoreth my
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He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death.

*I will fear no evil:
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Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over

Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house

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On March 18, 1961, Sandi was married to Don Backer and the marriage was blessed with two sons, Jeff and Gregg. The couple later separated. On December 22, 1972, Sandi was married to Ralph "Nick" Nichol森 and had a baby girl, Karine Elizabeth. The family made their home in Pipestone for the next 19 years. During that time, Sandi worked at the Pipestone County Hospital as a nurse's aide. The family moved to Shakopee, Minnesota where Nick managed the VFW. Later, they moved back to Pipestone. Nick preceded Sandi in death on October 3, 2014. Sandi continued to live in her home until she moved to the Whispering Winds Townhomes in Pipestone. She entered the care of the Good Samaritan Communities of Pipestone and on Thursday, May 2, 2024, she passed away there at the age of 81.

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Memorial Visitation

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Graveside Service

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