

Diana Lenius, age 77 of Perham, MN, passed away Tuesday, February 28, 2023, under the care of hospice and Elk Ridge Assisted Living.

Diana Lee Wenzel was born on June 2, 1945, the oldest of two children, to Rockley and Norma (Ress) in Carroll, Iowa.

She spent the first years of her life growing up on a beef and pork farm, and attended a one-room country school in Botna, Iowa.

At age 14, her parents purchased Ryan's Beach resort on Little McDonald Lake (renaming it Lazy Acres), and they moved to Minnesota. Diana was inducted into the National Honor Society and graduated from Perham High School in 1963. Soon after, she married Gary Lenius and had five children who were her pride and joy.

Diana retired in 2019 after almost 30 years of working in the grocery store industry, with most of those at Service Food in Perham. While there, she managed several different departments over the years and trained the new cashiers.

Diana loved her cats dearly, M&M and KitKat, and spent the last 18 years of her life with them. She also really enjoyed the M&M characters and collected their dispensers, tins, plushies, displays and many other types of items over the years.

Preceding Diana in death are her parents; and her son-in-law, Tom Tverberg. She is survived by her brother, David (Alice) Wenzel of rural Frazee; five children and seven grandchildren, Scott (Analou) Lenius [Brittini, Samantha, Angela and Andrew], Tammy (Steve) Glover [Anthony and Nathan], Penny Tverberg, Shari Lenius [Tyler] and Kari (Andrew) Gwost.



Diana Lee Lenius

June 2, 1945 - February 28, 2023

Funeral Service

Monday, March 6, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.
Schoeneberger Funeral & Cremation Service
Perham, Minnesota

Officiated By

Pastor Andrew Ratcliffe

Musical Selections

“How Great Thou Art” - Elvis Presley
“The Lord’s Prayer” - Engelbert Humperdinck

Casket Bearers

Brittni Lenius - Travis Anderson - Samantha Lenius
Tyler Lenius - Anthony Glover - Nathan Glover

Interment

St. Paul’s Lutheran Cemetery
Perham, Minnesota

GOD saw you were getting tired
When a cure was not to be.
He closed his *Arms*
around you and whispered,
“Come To Me.”
In tears we saw you sinking,
we watched you fade away.
Our *Hearts*
were almost broken,
you fought so hard to stay.
But when we saw you sleeping
so peacefully, free from pain,
we should not wish you back to suffer that again.
So treasure her, Lord, in your garden of rest.
For here on earth,
She Was The Best.