

Nicole Marie was born August 26, 1969 at Tachikawa Air Base Japan, to Don and Linda (Dressler) Staudinger. Upon completion of Don's Air Force service, the family moved back to southwest North Dakota where Nicole was raised. She graduated from Dickinson High School in 1987 and attended college at Dickinson State, Minot State, and Moorhead State University studying elementary and special education. She met Andy Koegl while teaching in Fargo, ND and the couple were married December 27, 1997 in Dickinson. Nicole and Andy spent 20 years living at many locations across the United States while Andy served in the US Air Force. During this time, the couple welcomed their children, Zachary and Emma. In 2017, the family returned to the Dickinson area where Nicole went back to teaching in various area schools. Nicole was an unbelievably caring and compassionate person. Known as "Colie" to all who loved her. She had a fun and active childhood; full of happy memories and escapades in 4H, livestock judging, and rodeo. She showed her hidden strength and tenacity during her many years running distance in track and cross-country. Always an avid music lover, Nicole was also talented in band, choir and piano. From a young age, she had a love for all animals and found great peace in riding her horses. As both a kid and an adult, Medora and the badlands were her happy place to eat, ride, hike and shop! Professionally, Nicole's calling in life was...to teach. She had a unique ability to understand and connect with those that struggled in learning. She started her teaching career in 1992, in a one-room school house outside Minot ND; eventually she became a highly effective and deeply loved Special Education teacher. Beyond all this, Nicole loved being a mom and wife. The biggest joy in her life was her kids. She was the staunchest advocate, biggest supporter and loudest cheerleader at countless swim meets, soccer games, and rodeos. Nicole's faith shined brightly and was her source of strength; because of it, she touched others in selfless and considerate ways. Ever the "thoughtful one" with a card, note, text, meal or phone call at just the right time. She left us as a warrior—bravely and fearlessly fighting a brutal battle with cancer. She will be remembered for her kind and sweet soul – as well as her beautiful smile,

laugh and light. Through everything, she gracefully shared her love of Christ as a devout and steadfast servant in service to others... family, neighbors, friends and community. She will be missed by all that were blessed to know her. Nicole is survived by her husband, Andy of Dickinson; children, Zach and Emma, both of Dickinson; parents, Don and Linda Staudinger of Dickinson; her sister, Tiffany (David) Warnke and their children, Samantha, Nathaniel, and Joshua; father-in-law, Chuck Koegl; her sister-in-law, Amy LaMeyer; and numerous aunts and uncles and cousins. She is preceded in death by her mother-in-law, Lois Koegl.

Nicole Staudinger - Koegl

August 26, 1969 - February 27, 2023



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FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday, March 4, 2023 10:30 a.m.
Stevenson Funeral Home
Dickinson, North Dakota

VISITATION

Friday, March 3, 2023 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Stevenson Funeral Home
Dickinson, North Dakota

OFFICIATING

Pastor Greg Culver

PIANIST

Sandy Weisenberger

READERS

Alexandra Zak, Heather Hoff Wright
& Katie Nehl

PALLBEARERS

Jim Berg Chuck Laitinen
Ty Dressler Nicholas Dressler
Kasey Dressler Mike Staudinger

INTERMENT

Kyseth Cemetery
Marshall, North Dakota

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Stevenson Funeral Home
Dickinson, North Dakota

*A meal will be served in the fellowship
room following the service.
Everyone is welcome.*



*A limb has fallen from the family tree
I hear a voice that whispers,
"Grieve not for me."
Remember the best times,
the laughter, the songs
The good I lived while I was strong
Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you
Keep on smiling,
The sun will shine through.
My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest
Remembering all, how I was truly blessed
Continue traditions, no matter how small
Go on with your lives, don't stare at the wall
I miss you all dearly so keep up your chin
Until that fine day we're together again.*

