

Tammy Jo Esse was born on November 7, 1959, in St. Louis Park, Minnesota, the daughter of Gerald and Marlene (Stender) Doheny. She grew up in St. Louis Park and Excelsior and graduated from Minnetonka High School in 1978. On May 16, 1980, Tammy was united in marriage to her soulmate, Rob Esse. They made their home in St. Peter from 1980 to 1985 while Rob attended Gustavus College. Later in 1985, they moved to Willmar and founded the Willmar Wings Gymnastics Club. Tammy and Rob

coached together for over 35 years. Tammy also worked as a Fitness and Aerobics Instructor at the Kandi-Courts, YMCA and Willmar High School for many years. Besides coaching and being a role model for her students, Tammy enjoyed camping, fishing, playing softball, traveling in the RV, attending concerts, boating and relaxing on Green Lake and watching sporting events.

She is survived by her loving husband of over 42 years, Rob; two children, Emily Esse (and fiancé, Eric Yantzer) of Fargo, ND., and Ryan (and Samantha) Esse of Redwood Falls; one soon-to-be grandchild; her mother, Marlene Doheny of Shorewood; and one sister, Tracy Doheny Erickson of Excelsior, besides other relatives and many beloved friends.

She was preceded in death by her father.

"For all of those that loved Tammy. Let her light and spirit shine through you. Never give up, stay tough, and keep smiling. Know that she loved you as much as you loved her." -Rob & Family

There will be a handstand tribute at the end of the funeral service so those wanting to participate please dress appropriately.

Celebrating the Life of



Tammy Jo Esse 1959 - 2022 May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be always at your back, the sun shine warm upon your face, the rains fall soft upon your



upon your fields and until we meet again,



may God hold you in the hollow of His hand.

-The Irish Blessing

In Loving Memory Of

Tammy Jo Esse

November 7, 1959 St. Louis Park, Minnesota December 23, 2022 Willmar, Minnesota

Celebration of Life Service Tuesday, January 10, 2023 - 11:00 a.m. Calvary Lutheran Church Willmar, Minnesota

Prelude		Naomi Baker
Processional		
Thanksgiving for Baptism		
Opening Hymn	"On Eagle Wing's"	No. 787
Apostolic Greeting and Pr	ayer	
Time of Remembrance	Kaitlin Lindblad & Tracy Doheny Erickson	
Special Music "You Were My Sunshine" written & sung by Rachael Esse		
Scripture Readings		
Message	P	Pastor Dean E. Johnson
Apostle's Creed, Prayers & The Lord's Prayer		
Blessing		
Closing Hymn	"Amazing Grace"	No. 779
Handstand Tribute to Tammy		
Recessional		
Postlude		

Arrangements By Peterson Brothers Funeral Home "Celebrating A Life Remembered"