Diana M. Derstine, age 71 of Rochert, MN died December 25, 2023 at the Frazee Care Center in Frazee, MN.

Diana Marie Derstine was born June 29, 1952 in Belleville, Illinois to Ignatius and Melba (Gruber) Perrine. She moved with her family to rural frazee, MN as a young girl, where she finished her education, graduating from frazee High School in 1970. On October 10, 1970 she was united in marriage to Dennis Derstine at the Egeland Lutheran Church, Rochert, MN. They made their home in Detroit Lakes. In 1979 they built their current residence near Height of Land Lake.

She was a cheerful, adventurous, fun-loving gal, who loved and enjoyed her family, going to church, playing piano and singing for the Lord and serving God wherever he led her.

Over the years Diana worked at various businesses in the area, but in her own words, "being a wife, mother, and grandma was her best job".

She is survived by her husband, Dennis; one son, Ryan (Stacey) Derstine, of Pelican Rapids, MN; one daughter, Becky (Dale) Warren, of Strawberry Lake, MN; six grandchildren; five great grandchildren; one brother, Lonnie (Linda) Perrine, of frazee, MN; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and two sisters, Gina Perrine and Bonnie Lunde.



And if I should go before you Know that part of me still remains... You will not see me. *Yet I will be there walking beside you.* You will not touch me. Yet I will live in your heart and memory always. Have faith that we will one day Walk hand in hand in eternity. Until then, live your life for life is good.... And know that I am with you.

One night I dreamed a dream. As I was walking along the beach with my Lord. Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life. For each scene, I noticed Two sets of footprints in the sand, One belonging to me and one to my Lord.

After the last scene of my life flashed before me I looked back at the footprints in the sand. I noticed that at many times Along the path of my life, Especially at the very lowest and saddest times, There was only one set of footprints. "I don't understand why, When I need You most, You would leave me."

The Lord replied, "My precious child, I love you and will never leave you, During your trials and sufferings, When you saw only one set of footprints, It was then that I carried you."

Diana M. Derstine

June 29, 1952 ~ Belleville, Illinois December 25, 2023 ~ Frazee, Minnesota

<u>funeral Service</u>

Wednesday, January 3, 2024 ~ 11:00 a.m. Community Alliance Church Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

Officiated by

Pastor Matt McKenzie Pastor Tim Rice

Pall Bearers

Christian BurmeisterDale Warren Jr.Gary Wood Jr.Tom KvasDavid DerstineGhaven Derstine

Eulogy by

Kathy Kallis

<u>Reading by</u>

Lisa Kvas

<u>Vocals by Worship Team</u>

Scott Kallis Kathy Kallis Richard Haldorson Marcy Henrikson

<u>Pianist</u>

Jill Melby

<u>Interment</u> Church in the Wildwood Cemetery Detroit Lakes, Minnesota <u>Arrangements by</u> West-Kjos Funeral Home Detroit Lakes, Minnesota