



Donna Ray Pelzer

November 3, 1958 - December 19, 2023

IN MEMORY OF:

Donna Ray Pelzer

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – MURPHYSBORO

1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois

Donna Ray Pelzer, 65, of Murphysboro, passed away on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at her home.

Donna was born on November 3, 1958 in Murphysboro to Carl Dean and Margaret Lou (Fielding) Hoppe. She married Ernie Arbeiter of July 31, 1976. He preceded her in death on June 24, 1983. She then married David Pelzer on October 12, 1984 and he survives.

Donna was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church. She was a loving wife and mother. Donna loved shopping, talking and spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by her husband David Pelzer; son, Travis Arbeiter; daughter, Crystal Arbeiter-Dulaney; grandchildren, Skylar Dulaney, and Ky Dulaney; her mother, Margaret Hoppe; brother, Russell (Carol) Hoppe; niece, Nicki Hoppe;

great nieces, Bevon Stewart, and Evie Riley; brothers-in-law, Carl (Mary) Arbeiter, Gary Arbeiter, Allen Arbeiter, Henry (Lynn) Arbeiter, Gary Pelzer, and Randy Pelzer.

She was preceded in death by her father; first husband; brother, Curtis Dean Hoppe; grandparents, Everett and Evelyn Fielding, and Jesse and Laura Hoppe; brothers-in-law, Barry Pelzer, and Allen Pelzer.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, December 22, 2023 at 2:00 PM at Crain Funeral Home in Murphysboro with Rev. Matthew Christian officiating. Burial will follow at Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery.

Visitation will be on Thursday, December 21, 2023 from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM and on Friday from 1:00 PM until the time of service at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be made to Hospice of Southern Illinois.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Crain Funeral Home-Murphysboro.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **21**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Downtown Murphysboro
1421 Walnut St
Murphysboro, IL 62966
(618) 684-2131

Visitation

DEC **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

DEC **22**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Comfort & Light 30" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Donna Ray Pelzer.*



December 22, 2023 at 12:43 PM



“ *From the Birkner Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donna Ray Pelzer.*

From the Birkner Family - December 22, 2023 at 12:43 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Donna Ray Pelzer.*



December 20, 2023 at 08:06 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Donna Ray Pelzer.*



December 19, 2023 at 09:41 PM

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“ Kevin Beam planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donna Ray Pelzer.

Kevin Beam - December 19, 2023 at 09:41 PM

KH

“ My sweet beautiful cousin. I remember all those days u would let me brush your long beautiful hair. I so looked forward to the summers I would come to Gorham and visit. It was the highline of my summer. You will be so missed.. your no longer on pain and with your loved ones. Give my daddy a big hug and uncle carl dean. He always loved u so. Rest easy donna ray. Love And miss u so muchKelly hoppe Hawkins

Kelly hawkins - December 19, 2023 at 06:28 PM