



Delores Mae Murto

May 24, 1937 - October 10, 2021

As Delores always said, “When my time comes, the Good Lord will take me home.” The Good Lord took Delores Home on the gorgeous fall morning of October 10. Fall was Delores’ favorite season.

Delores was born in Dillon, Montana to Eva Ann (Magnuson) Moquist and Charles Raymond Moquist on May 24, 1937. When she was a sophomore in High School, her family moved to Butte where she attended Butte High School. After school and during the summers, she enjoyed working at the Tasty Food Shop on West Granite where she served pasties and other goodies to the customers at the lunch counter.

Her profession and 33-year career began at Metals Bank on the corner of Park and Main Streets, when she was a senior in high school. She began as a bookkeeper, moved to the position of proof operator, then became a teller and retired as a teller supervisor. She loved working with her customers and co-workers. Her meticulous and exacting nature had her balancing to the penny for years on end. When she retired from First Metals Bank, she got a job offer to work at the Montana Tech business office, part-time, that she happily accepted. She loved to work and liked to be busy. Again, she so enjoyed getting to know the Tech students and working with her co-workers in the business office.

Delores met her life time “honey” and partner, Tauno Ensio Murto (“Murt”) in uptown Butte while out with her girlfriend on a Friday night. Murt and his buddies were ‘cruising the drag’ when he spotted the love of his life. Murt and Delores were married on September 8, 1955, in the Covenant Church on Main Street. Their first home was an apartment in the Central House in uptown Butte, a boarding house in Finn Town owned and managed by Murt’s parents, Susanna and Emil, for Butte miners. Then, together they built their first and only home on the flats and raised 2 children, Susan Dee and David Don, in that home. Delores occupied their home for approximately 60 years until her flight with the angels. Delores and Murt’s 58-year union on earth lasted until her honey’s passing on April 3, 2013. For her he was never gone, just gone ahead.

Delores attended church at Gloria Dei Lutheran church for 50 years or so. She found great friendship, fellowship, peace and worship there. After the passing of her “honey”, she spent many hours with her dear friends quilting on Wednesday afternoons at the church. She was also a member of the Nile Patrol and enjoyed luncheons with the Metals Bank retirees.

Her remaining family include her son, David D. Murto, and daughter-in-law, Kathy; her daughter, Susan D. Murto, and her life partner, Andy Sorensen; her granddaughter, Katie (Murto) Aanestad and her husband Marshall; and her dear cousin, Loaine Johnson of Cambridge, Minnesota. Those gone ahead include her husband, her parents, her bother, Glen Moquist, and her beloved Uncle George.

She was honored to be considered a second mom to Roberta Stauffer, Tabitha Layton, Marilyn May, JoAnne Yerkes, Renee Salvucci, Shelly Martin, Michelle Brown and to be “Grandma Delores” to Patrice Timmons.

Delores especially appreciated the kind acts of care she received from the

following friends:

--Kathy, her daughter-in-law, who Delores referred to as her “angel”. Kathy helped care for Delores, Tauno and Delores’ brother Glen in their aging years.

--Marg Leary, her life friend and confidant.

--Paula and Ken Morgan, who were not only a part of her spiritual family but also delivered home cooked meals to Delores and attended to her home plumbing needs.

--Sally and Dan Hollis, who “adopted” Delores as their own.

--Pat and Mike Pratt, neighbors, who often shared and delivered home-made dinners, including fresh Alaskan salmon, one of her very favorites.

--Rhonda Forward, Delores’ helpful friend that provided companionship along with grocery shopping and house cleaning.

-- Mary and Dennis Bugni and family including Mike Jeffrey, neighbors, who looked after Delores, as well as keeping her lawn green and her sidewalks clean.

--Pastor Sarah of the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, who always attended to Delores’ spiritual needs, becoming a family friend, and recently officiating at the marriage of Delores’ granddaughter, Katie.

Delores’ church service will be held at the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church on Saturday, November 27, at 10 am followed by burial at the Mountain View Cemetery. A luncheon will then be served at the church. Delores’ family looks

forward to sharing time with you and sharing stories.

Cemetery Details

Mountain View Cemetery

3910 Harrison Avenue
Butte, MT 59701

Previous Events

Church Service

NOV 27. 10:00 AM (MT)

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
2300 Florence Avenue
Butte, MT 59701

Tribute Wall



“ *Written in the Stars was purchased for the family of Delores Mae Murto.* ”



November 28, 2021 at 12:19 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Delores Mae Murto.* ”



November 18, 2021 at 01:30 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Delores Mae Murto.* ”



October 13, 2021 at 09:57 PM



“ *Oh my heart is broken at the passing of Delores, she was definitely a Big presence in the Martin family. We all loved her and her kindness. She will be missed and forever our extra family. God bless you and may you have peace.* ”

Shelley Martin Dixon - October 13, 2021 at 03:06 PM

EL

“ It saddens my heart to read of Delores passing. I knew her and Tauno from the Shrine. When we would met, she would greet me with Hello Birthday Boy and I would respond with Hello Birthday Girl. As May 24 was both are Birthdays. Being around her always brought happiness to my heart something that will not diminish with her passing. God’s blessing to her family and all those who were part of her life.

E.G. Leipheimer - October 13, 2021 at 12:16 PM

JA

“ We are so sorry to hear of your sweet mom's passing, and for your sad loss, but also happy that she has joined with her honey, Murt. and her other dear loved ones. Delores was always a very kind soul to everyone, and we will never forget her many kindnesses to us & our family. May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.

Janet Ahlquist-Niemi - October 13, 2021 at 11:43 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Delores Mae Murto.



October 13, 2021 at 11:18 AM

SS

“ *Susan & David,*

We are so sorry for your loss. Your mom was such a delight every time she came to visit. There was so much fun and laughter! Stacey Saunders, Michael Cohn & Aaron



Stacey Saunders - October 13, 2021 at 10:17 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Delores Mae Murto.*



October 13, 2021 at 10:12 AM

CK

“ *Susan my heart and prayers go out to you and your family. Losing a parent is so very difficult. Especially one that is so truly cherished and loved. I hope that you can all take comfort in knowing that she is at peace. Love & hugs, Cindy Keuler*



Cindy Keuler - October 13, 2021 at 09:36 AM

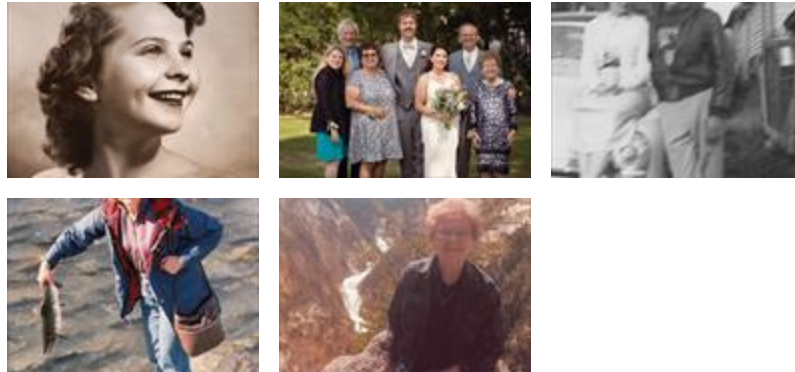
JC

“ Susan and David, I was shocked and saddened to learn of your sweet mother's passing. I thoroughly enjoyed the many visits that that we had at Jo Anne's parents' home. She was always so kind to our family and remembered our children at their graduations and Paul's wedding. When I lost my parents and my only sister and brother, I sincerely appreciated her expressions of sympathy. She adored her granddaughter and I was so happy that she was able to attend her wedding. She often spoke of your dad and how much she missed her "honey"...their relationship was a true love story. I image her in heaven reunited with your dad. She is young and beautiful and pain-free. Your and she are in my prayers..

Jim Capp - October 13, 2021 at 04:14 AM



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Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home - October 12, 2021 at 02:39 PM