



Donna Lee (Hensley) Johnson

May 22, 1947 - November 28, 2023

Donna Lee (Hensley) Johnson, 76, passed away Tuesday, November 28, 2023 in St. Peter's Hospital in Helena. She was born in Butte Thursday, May 22, 1947 to Vern Nicholas and Helen Blair (Churchill) Hensley.

Always the apple of her father's eye, Donna attended Whittier Elementary School, East Junior High and graduated from Butte High School in 1965. She also graduated from the Butte Business College where she was proudly voted homecoming queen.

She began her working career with the Montana Power Company and later worked briefly at Pork Chop Johns and Walmart.

She married her high school sweetheart, Michael Johnson in 1967. Their marriage was blessed with two boys, Michael Anthony Johnson and Christopher Lee Johnson. Donna was a devoted wife and loving mother. She cared for her husband, aided by her son Chris for seven years after he became a paraplegic following a fall. She endured every parent's worst nightmare by suffering the premature and tragic loss of both her sons, Mike in 1996 and Chris in 2014.

She enjoyed bowling with her mother, Helen and her sister Judy. She loved playing Pinochle with her family and friends. She also enjoyed playing the piano. She especially loved floating, fishing and camping on the Big Hole,

Jefferson and Blackfoot Rivers.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, both her sons, her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Tubie and Mame Johnson, brothers-in-law, Tubie (Dottie), Richie (Bonnie), Ray (Pattie), Jerry and Bernie Johnson and brother-in-law, Bob Aguirre. She is survived by her sister, Judy Aguirre and brother and sister-in-law, Rob and Laureen Hensley, sisters-in-law, Kay and Sandy Johnson as well as several nieces and nephews and her granddaughter, McKenzie Rowe.

Cremation has taken place and private interment services will be in the near future. Donation in Donna's memory may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Memorial Park

16 miles west of Butte
Butte, MT 59701

Tribute Wall

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“ I have not kept up wit the class until recently. I remember Donna from school and the dances at the Miner's Union Hall. Always a big smile and friendly. Never connected afterward but was shocked to see she had passed. All the people who are in the class will miss the devotion and happiness she spread. Life well lived good and faithful person. Very will lived.



John T Beckman - October 15, 2024 at 06:54 PM

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“ Donna, Judy, Rob and I grew up together. They were my only local cousins and I loved spending time with them, playing house, school and later, tether ball in their back yard. We spent many Christmas Eves and Easter Sundays together. We all dressed up in those days and enjoyed our frilly dresses at each other's birthday parties. I loved Donna like a sister in those days. I left Butte for college and we all went our separate ways with spouses, children and life adventures. When my mom and dad died, Donna, Judy and Rob and their families were there as I returned to Butte to bury them. I will always be grateful for the wonderful memories of our childhood and the support I received.

Mary Helen Hensley Cutler - December 06, 2023 at 08:43 PM