

Gwen Lorraine Hofferbert was born on August 9, 1952, in Parkers Prairie, Minnesota to Clarence and Lorraine (Pieper) Hofferbert.

Gwen and her family moved to Washington State in 1957, where she grew up. She graduated in 1970 from the Redmond Senior High School.

In 1975, Gwen came to Minnesota where she met and married Dean Eckhoff on October 9, 1976. Their marriage was blessed with two daughters, Jami Leigh and Jessica Louise.

She loved spending time with her grandchildren Samantha, Jake, Erik, Ashlyn, and Kensey. Gwen also loved doing crafts, scrapbooking, and crocheting.

She was involved in American Legion Auxiliary unit 283 as the President for a while. Gwen was also on the Deer Trails Day Committee and was a member of the Deer Creek Rod and Gun Club.

She is preceded in death by her parents; sister: Clarice; brother: Doug; and grandparents.

**IN LOVING MEMORY**

*Gwen Eckhoff*



**AUGUST 9, 1952**

**JANUARY 24, 2022**



IN LOVING MEMORY

# Gwen Lorraine Eckhoff

**Born**

August 9, 1952  
Parkers Prairie, Minnesota

**Died**

January 24, 2022  
Wadena, Minnesota

**Service**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
Henning, Minnesota  
Saturday, January 29, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

**Clergy**

Pastor Dan Larsen

**Pallbearers**

Corey Eckhoff ~ Brad Eckhoff ~ Chris Eckhoff  
Bubba Rinerson ~ Mike Simmons ~ Jake Pedersen ~ Erik Orndorff

**Honorary Pallbearers**

Granddaughters: Kensey, Ashlyn & Samantha

Great-Grandson: Evan

Goddaughter: Kari

**Survived By**

Husband Dean of 45 years; daughters: Jami Orndorff, Jessica (Mike) Simmons; grandchildren: Samantha (Jake) Pedersen, Erik Orndorff, Ashlyn and Kensey Simmons; great-grandson: Evan Pedersen; sister: Darlene (John) Gamalielson; brother: Dennis Hofferbert of Washington; along with many relatives and family friends

**Laid to Rest**

St. Paul's Cemetery  
Henning, Minnesota

*A limb has fallen from my Family Tree  
I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me."  
Remember the best times, the laughter, the song.  
The good life I lived while I was strong.  
Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you.  
Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through.  
My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.  
Remembering all how truly I was blessed.  
I miss you so dearly, so keep up your chin.  
Until the day comes and we're together once again.*