

Deloris Fay Jansen

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Deloris Fay Jansen was born on December 19, 1937, on her parents' farm north of Sully, Iowa. She was the third of four children that were born to William D. and Pauline (Baarda) Jansen. Deloris attended the Sully Christian Grade School and graduated from Pella Christian High School in Pella, Iowa, in 1956. She was united in marriage with Lawrence Maasdam on February 14, 1957. To this union four children were born: Craig, Curtis, Julie Kay, and Larry. On January 26, 1973, she and Ronald E. McKeag were married in Grinnell, Iowa. Deloris believed flowers and nature were

a special gift from God. She loved to work in her gardens, make floral arrangements and decorate their home. She also loved to help her children and grandchildren wallpaper, paint, decorate or landscape in their yards. Deloris had the idea to start a gardening club in Sully. She invited people she knew that shared her interest and the Sully Garden Thyme Club was formed in the summer of '98. Deloris had other jobs where she made many friends; those include working at Casey's in Sully, Bates Flowers and Van Ersvelde Decorating in Grinnell.

Deloris's strong faith brought her through many trials including the drowning accident of her son, Curtis, age 7, in 1968; a skydiving accident of her son, Larry, age 25, in 1995; and her cancer which started in 2018. On Wednesday, January 6, 2021, Deloris passed away at the Hospice of Pella Comfort House in Pella, Iowa, at the age of 83 years. She is survived by her husband, Ron, and their families:

Craig and Barbora (Roorda) Maasdam of Sully, Iowa
Curtis and Chadera Maasdam of Sully,
Dakota, Logan
Monica and David Nikkel of Sully
Katelyn, Alivia, Colton, Mason
Shelby and Drew Shinkle of Pella, Iowa
Carter
Julie and Kevin Van Wyk of Sully, Iowa
Joshua and Nancy Van Wyk of Ottumwa, Iowa
Thaddaeus, Asher
Cale and Kendra Van Wyk of Sully
Donald and Marcia McKeag of Iowa City, Iowa
Liz and Jake Krzystowczyk of Baton Rouge, LA
Amelia, Sophia
Melissa and Jeff Moreland of Iowa City, IA
John
Chris McKeag of Ottumwa, Iowa
Gabrielle McKeag
Maverick
Fadre McKeag
Adam
Kateland McKeag
Brandon McKeag
Nathan Toomey

Deloris felt very blessed and loved her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Her prayer for them is that they all accept Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. Of her original family, Deloris leaves her sister, Zelda Engbers, of Pella, Iowa, and the following sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law: Marcia (Lowell) Jansen of Pella, Marjorie (Maasdam) Kramer of Lynnvile, Iowa, Rose (McKeag) and Ernie Swanty of Arizona, Marcia (McKeag) and Earl Murty of Traer, Iowa, and Linda (McKeag) Lang of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Deloris was preceded in death by her two sons, Curtis and Larry Maasdam; her parents, Will D. and Pauline Jansen; her two brothers, Ronald Jansen and his wife, Verla, and Lowell Jansen; brother-in-law, Arie Engbers, Jr.; her parents-in-law, Richard and Dorothy Olson; and two nephews, Monty Jansen and Jerry Lee Thede. Deloris was an active and faithful member of the First Reformed Church in Sully, Iowa.

FAMILY COMMITTAL SERVICE

Saturday, January 9, 2021

Sully Cemetery, Sully, Iowa

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 1:30 pm

First Reformed Church, Sully, Iowa

MEMORIALS

Memorial contributions are preferred for Hope Ministries or the Hospice of Pella Comfort House in Pella, Iowa

Van Dyk-Duven Funeral Home in Pella was in charge of arrangements.