

Julie Loftin ^{GM-R}
7-29-2021



Julie Loftin, 56, of Grinnell, died on Sunday, July 25, 2021, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

A funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 31, 2021, at Trinity Lutheran Church northeast of Grinnell. The service will begin live streaming at 9:45 a.m. on the Smith Funeral Home Facebook page. Burial will follow at Trinity Lutheran Cemetery. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church.

Memorials may be designated to the Trinity Lutheran Church or Trinity Lutheran Cemetery Association, and

mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, IA 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared online with Julie's family at www.smithfh.com.

Julie Faye Loftin was born the daughter of Grover Junior Loftin and Faye Carmen (Gross) Loftin on September 25, 1964, in Grinnell, Iowa.

Julie lived with her parents on the family farm near Grinnell before moving to town. On any given day you could see her riding her three-wheeled bicycle to get the mail and waving to everyone. Just like her dad and her brother Mike, she never knew a stranger. Julie graduated from Pleasant Hill Developmental Center in Marshalltown, Iowa, in 1985.

Julie had a memory like no other! She could remember a dog's name that she was introduced to 20 years ago. She loved kitties and always wanted to stop at Dari Barn for a strawberry shake. She had a great sense of humor, asking over and over what your name was when she knew it all along. Julie always wanted visitors to sing hymns with her.

Julie traveled to many states with her parents showing Hampshire hogs and she loved camping with Uncle Claire & Aunt Hazel Gross and her parents. She especially enjoyed camping at the Iowa State Fair, watching Mike and her dad show hogs, riding the skyline, and talking her dad into taking her to the thrift store to buy beads. BEADS..... Anyone who knows Julie knows how much she loved beads, and boy did she have a LOT of them. Whenever someone asked her what she wanted she always responded the same... BEADS!! Even when she knew she would be in trouble with her mom by asking people for more.

Julie is survived by her sister-in-law, Dena Loftin of Grinnell; and her nieces and nephews, Deidra Haigh of Illinois, Matthew Loftin of Washington, Anne Henry of Colorado, and Jill Muniz of Colorado. She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Grover Michael Loftin in 2008; and a nephew, Michael Todd Loftin in 1966.