

Diane Virginia Orth was born on August 24, 1947 to Harold and Alta (Weidenbach) Orth at the Scotland Clinic, Scotland, SD. Diane grew up on the family farm in rural Scotland, SD; she attended Plugraph Country School and then Scotland High School, where she graduated in 1965. Diane then headed to Brookings and graduated from South Dakota State University with her Bachelor of Science in 1969.

After graduating from SDSU, Diane took up residence in Iowa as a family and consumer science teacher; after a few years she decided to head back to Brookings, SD for graduate school and served as the House Mother for Farmhouse Fraternity and graduated with her Masters of Science in 1981. She met Wally in 1980 and they were united in marriage on November 21, 1981 at the United Church of Christ in Scotland, SD. Diane moved to Wally's farm in rural Menno, SD and held various teaching positions in the Menno and Freeman areas. They had one child, John Walter, who was born on October 4, 1983.

Diane was a devoted Grandma who loved spoiling her grandchildren and her "grand-dog," Jasper and giving the kids rides on Grandma's chair; she also enjoyed cooking, sewing, spending time with family and friends, especially Christy Orth, Linda Schroeder and Kathy Stepanek, later in life. Diane had a long journey with her health. Through it all, she was a strong advocate for her care and needs. Through this journey, she established many positive relationships that she considered her extended family.

Diane is survived by her son, John (Lindsay) Neth, Brandon; grandchildren John "Will" Jr., Ella and Aiden Neth, Brandon; sister, Nadine (Gordon) Jensen, Wakonda; brother, Ken Orth (George Paolucci), Boston, MA; brothers-in-law: Elmer Neth, Yankton and Carl (Linda) Zeeb, Menno; sisters-in-law: Eleanor (Wilbert) Renner, Springfield, Elda Zeeb, Menno and Addie Zeeb, Yankton; great friends, Kathy (Ken) Stepanek and Linda Schroeder and many nephews, nieces and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband Walter "Wally" Neth; parents: Harold (Alta) Orth; sister, Marion (Jim) Sonichsen; brothers-in-law: Wilmer (Esther) Zeeb, Emil Zeeb, and Leo Zeeb; sisters-in-law, Delores (Lee) Quast and Dorothy Neth; great friend, Christy Orth; several nephews and nieces and her beloved "grand-dog, Jasper.



*In Loving*  
M E M O R Y

***Diane V. Neth***

*August 24, 1947 - February 23, 2018*



*God saw she was getting tired  
And a cure was not to be,  
So He put His arms around her  
And whispered "Come with me."*

*With tearful eyes  
We watched her suffer  
And saw her fade away  
Although we loved her dearly,  
We would not make her stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating,  
Hard working hands to rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us  
He only takes the best.*

Arrangements Entrusted To  
Reck Funeral Home - Miller, South Dakota  
[www.familyfuneralhome.net](http://www.familyfuneralhome.net)

*In loving memory of*

# *Diane V. Neth*

## **PRAYER SERVICE**

*7:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 28, 2018  
Aisenbrey-Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel  
Menno, South Dakota*

## **OFFICIATING**

*Reverend Kenneth Orth*

## **CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE**

*10:30 a.m., Friday, March 1, 2018  
Salem Reformed Church  
Menno, South Dakota*

## **OFFICIATING**

*Reverend Michael Hecht*

## **CASKETBEARERS**

*Mike Neth, Randy Jensen, Tom Sonichsen,  
Earl Zeeb, Gene Bender, Ken Stepanek*

## **HONORARY CASKETBEARERS "Grandchildren"**

*John "Will", Ella, and Aiden Neth*

**VOCALIST** - *Caroline King*  
*"Softly and Tenderly"*

**ORGANIST**- *Cindy Herrboldt*

## **HYMNS**

*"Amazing grace" #343  
"How Great Thou Art" # 147  
"Jesus Loves Me" #185*

## **BURIAL AT A LATER DATE**

*Menno Cemetery - Menno, South Dakota*