



Denise Ihnen

February 8, 1943 - April 9, 2025

Denise Ihnen, age 82, of Lennox, SD, passed away April 9, 2025, at Ava's House hospice, Sioux Falls, SD. Denise Aletha Johnson was born on February 8, 1943, at Sioux Falls, SD, the daughter of Enno and Ardes (Muller) Johnson. She grew up near Chancellor, attending school and graduating from Chancellor High School. She went on to attend Sioux Falls College for 2 years. On June 14, 1963, she was united in marriage to Roger Ihnen at the First Baptist Church in Chancellor, SD. The couple made their home on the farm near Hurley, SD, later moving into Lennox. Denise had been a member of the First Baptist Church in Chancellor and then the Chancellor Reformed Church, where she was the church organist for over 30 years. She and Roger belonged to the Harley Owners Group (HOG) for many years. In younger years, Denise enjoyed family vacations, especially to the Rocky Mountains. She and Roger traveled all over the U.S. and Canada on their Harley Davidson. Later, these motorcycle trips expanded to include their children and to the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally for over 14 years. Denise was preceded in death by her parents. Grateful for having shared her life are her husband of over 60 years, Roger; children: Darrin (Becky) Ihnen, Hurley, Angie (Rich) Kilmer, Sioux Falls and Stephanie (Corey) VanderWaerdt, Collinsville, OK; 9 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren, as well as a host of other relatives and friends. Visitation, with the family present, will be from noon to 2:00 p.m. Monday, April 14, with a service at 2:00 p.m., Monday, at Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home, Lennox, SD and burial to follow in the Lennox Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Sorry for the passing of your mother sir*

Brian Robert Lind - April 11, 2025 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My sincere condolences to family and friends of Denise. She was my best friend during our elementary and high school years. I remember being so privileged to go on many road trips with Denise, her mom and dad. Also fondly remember the many overnights we had with each other and our many musical duets and quartet numbers that we did at our church.*

Jeanette Buseman Higbe - April 09, 2025 at 12:00 AM