



## Susan Marie Hilgenkamp "Tattoo Sue"

May 3, 1951 - August 23, 2025

Susan Marie Hilgenkamp (Tattoo Sue) passed away on August 23, 2025. A private family burial will take place. A Celebration of Susan's Life will be held on Saturday, September 6th from 2:00 - 4:00 P.M. at The Happy Brush Gathering Place, 305 W 3rd St. in Grand Island. All Faiths Funeral Home has been entrusted with arrangements. Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation.

Susan was born on May 3, 1951 in Grand Island to Dwight and Mary Ann (Scott) Beilke. She grew up in Grand Island graduating from Grand Island Senior High School in 1969. After high school she attended Sar-Rob Beauty College graduating in 1970. Susan married the love of her life, Arlen Hilgenkamp, on March 21, 1970.

She worked various jobs including Barbario Cheese House, Nelson News Agency, Colonial Central Savings Bank, and Principal Financial Group up until retirement. Susan enjoyed many hobbies over the years. She excelled in needle work, crocheting, knitting and sewing. She left behind piles of quilts and other handy work, the result of years of her craft. She also loved dogs, cats, flowers, music and birds. Many will remember her for her colorful tattoos. She loved riding Harley Davidson motorcycles with her husband.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband of 55 years, Arlen

Hilgenkamp; children, Crisann (Glenn) Perkins, Aron (Heather) Hilgenkamp; grandchildren, Chelsea (Brandon) Roath, Lauren (Justin) Arends, Kyle Perkins; great grandchildren, Lynnox Roath, and Paxton Roath.

Susan was preceded in death by her parents, and her brother, Tim Beilke.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

SEP 6. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

The Happy Brush Gathering Place  
305 W 3rd St.  
Grand Island, NE 68801

# Tribute Wall

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“ Oh Susan there are so many memories of laughter and heart to hearts I had with you! You were always so full of life and so stylish! My family and I (especially Aly) adored you and loved spending time with you and Abby! You will forever be in our hearts and memories. Sending my love, hugs and prayers to all of you!

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**Tammy Swanson** - August 28, 2025 at 10:57 PM