



Valerie Kehm

August 13, 1945 - December 26, 2021

Valerie C. Kehm, 76, of Grand Island passed away Sunday, December 26, 2021 at Primrose Retirement Community in Grand Island. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on January 14, 2022 at All Faiths Funeral Home.

Valerie was born August 13, 1945 in Grand Island, the eldest daughter of George and Anne (Grabowski) Kehm. She grew up in Elba and attended Elba Public Schools. Post graduate studies began at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln where she received her Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees. After graduating, she took a non-faculty position at UNL, later taking a position at the Adams County Extension office. Valerie earned her PhD at Penn State University. She began and worked her entire professional career at Cal State LA.

Although Val lived in California, she stayed well connected with family and in later years, her nieces. She would often come back to Nebraska for a month each fall to spend with family. After her parents passing, she would stay with her brother Tom and his family, and would visit with Jim and his family. Val would make sure to indulge in a Nebraska favorite, Runzas, while she was home. She valued a good education, and urged her nieces to further theirs. She was protective of her family and always concerned for her nieces' welfare.

Val was an avid reader, especially of mysteries and played piano. Her goal after retirement was to get caught up on her reading. She followed politics with a passion. She was a very generous person, adored animals, and was a supporter of our Veterans. Val loved collecting recipes and sharing them with family, although she didn't cook much! She moved back to Grand Island July, 2019 to be near family.

Valerie is survived by her sister, Suzanne (Robert) Golden of Livermore, CA, and brothers, James (Jean) Kehm of St. Paul, and Thomas (Tracey) Kehm of Grand Island; her four nieces and their husbands; four great nephews and one great niece; and her Cal State LA family. She is preceded in death by her parents, grandparents, numerous aunts and uncles.

Memorials are suggested to Elba Fire and Rescue in Valerie's memory.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

JAN 14. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *All Faiths Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Valerie Kehm*



All Faiths Funeral Home - January 14, 2022 at 01:47 PM



“ *Valerie Kehm*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Val and I joined our CSLA department the same year and have been colleagues for 30 years until we retired. Our closeness came while we were academic advisors for the College of Health and Human Services and sharing stories about our lives over lunch in our offices. I learned about Tom, Jim, Sue and Bob, Tracey and all the nieces—Val was so proud of them and she regaled me with their achievements regularly. After 20 years we finally took a road-trip together to Nebraska to visit Val’s heart —her family! Thank you all for the kindness and joy you’ve given Val and extended to me. My family and kids know Val as my “closest friend from school”. Thank you all for fond memories of Val. God bless you! Susan Lue, DrPH*

Susan Lue - January 15, 2022 at 04:06 PM

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“Angel lit a candle in memory of Valerie Kehm



Angel - January 14, 2022 at 05:52 PM

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"Val will be in our hearts forever."

Angel - February 18, 2022 at 02:49 PM