

~ *Selected Scripture* ~

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2a, 11

*“There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens:
a time to be born and a time to die...
He has made everything beautiful in its time.
He has also set eternity in the human heart;
yet no one can fathom what God
has done from beginning to end.”*

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.”



*In Loving Memory Of
Melinda Jo "Mitzi" Larsen Rumpza*



Melinda Jo (Mitzi) Larsen Rumpza, age 71, of Spearfish, South Dakota, passed away peacefully on January 7, 2026, leaving behind a legacy of love, laughter, and unforgettable memories.

Melinda was known for her beautiful free spirit, her adventurous heart, and the vibrant, charismatic personality that naturally drew people toward her. She had a special way of making everyone around her feel seen, valued, and deeply loved. When you were with Melinda, you felt like the center of her world.

She found great joy in traveling and exploring new places, always embracing life with curiosity and excitement. Yet no matter where her adventures took her, what meant the most to her was the time spent with the people she loved.

Melinda is lovingly remembered by her partner, John; her children, Jenifer, Melinda, Elaine, and Frank; her cherished grandchildren, Angie, Travis, Sara, Logan, Dalton, Laura, Jordan, and Deann; great-grandchildren, Kylie, Kinley, Kambrie, Rhonin, Gabriel, Mason, Hallie, Aubree and Madison; her bonus granddaughters Holloway, Elsie and Winsley; her brother, Bret (Alma) Larsen; her many nieces and nephews and great- and great-great-nieces and nephews, as well as many other dear friends and family members whose lives were touched by her warmth and spirit.

Her laughter, kindness, and adventurous soul will live on in the hearts of all who knew her. Melinda's presence will be deeply missed, but the love she shared and the memories she created will continue to inspire those who were fortunate enough to walk beside her in life.

Her spirit will forever remain in the stories, journeys, and love she leaves behind.

Preceded in death by her husband Eugene; her mother, Betty Rose; her father, Dennis; and one sister, Debra.

Celebration Of Life

Saturday, July 18, 2026

1:00 PM

Living Hope Alliance
Huron, South Dakota

Officiant

Rev. Chad Rose

Music

Dancing In The Sky

by Dani & Lizzy

Heaven Took You Early

by Jelly Roll

Wind Beneath My Wings

by Bette Midler

How Great Thou Art

by Carrie Underwood and Vince Gill

Interment

Riverside Cemetery
Huron, South Dakota