



Sandra Kay Mendenhall

June 28, 1942 - November 9, 2023

Sandra Mendenhall, 81, of University Park, passed away Thursday, November 9, 2023, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa.

Sandra Kay Mendenhall, daughter of Wilford and Ruth (Davis) Wareham, was born June 28, 1942, at her grandparents' home near Melcher, Iowa. As a young girl, she lived in Oskaloosa and attended Webster Elementary. Sandra continued her education in Oskaloosa and graduated with the class of 1960 from Oskaloosa Senior High School. While still in school, she met a young man by the name of Merlyn Mendenhall, and the two were married on New Year's Eve of 1964 in Oskaloosa at the St. John's Lutheran Church.

Sandra began her career at a local nursing home and later at the Continental Overall factory. Sandra and Merlyn were blessed to welcome two daughters, Cindy and Heather, into the world. She later became a homemaker and did some babysitting for family and friends. Sandra and Merlyn opened an auto parts store in Oskaloosa and later moved the store to What Cheer.

Sandra enjoyed a variety of games, including solitaire, crossword scratchers, and a little gambling every now and then. She also loved all her animals, especially her little buddy Max. Her true love was her family. She was blessed to call all of them her own.

Sandra's family includes her husband of 60 years, Merlyn; her daughters,

Cindy Mendenhall-Gist of Oskaloosa and Heather (Todd) Morrow of Oskaloosa; grandsons: Kalob (Randie) Gist of Oskaloosa, Quentin Sanchez of Oskaloosa; a granddaughter, Arrianna Morrow; her grandchild's father, Robert Gist, a brother, Larry Wareham of Oskaloosa; a sister, Penney (Gary) Hummel of Flagstaff, AZ; a brother-in-law, Jerry (Pam) Mendenhall of Lake Keomah; nieces: Leann Danielson, Holly Eckermann, Missy Hummel, Kelli Van Donselaar; and a nephew, Gene Wareham.

Sandra was preceded in death by her parents and a sister-in-law, Carolyn Wareham.

As was her wish, Sandra's body has been cremated and private family services for Sandra will take place at a later date. Memorials may be made in her name and checks made out to her husband, Merlyn. Langkamp Funeral Chapel and Crematory have been entrusted with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

CM

“ Penny and Gary... So sorry to hear about Sandy.. She was always so nice and friendly.....

Carol Williams McGraw - November 15, 2023 at 06:56 PM

MH

“ So sorry for your loss, sending love and prayers.



Marlene Herny - November 13, 2023 at 04:36 PM

LE

“ Linda Eklofe lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Mendenhall



Linda Eklofe - November 12, 2023 at 07:28 PM

RM

“ So sorry for your loss. She raised a couple of really nice girls. It is hard losing a parent.

Ron Miller - November 12, 2023 at 03:39 PM

LF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family!

Linda and Steve Fox - November 11, 2023 at 12:20 PM

CB

Oh I'm so sorry to hear this many prayers and Hugs to the family. Love them all so very much.

Cindy Bartlow - November 11, 2023 at 02:22 PM