



Virgelene Helen "Mick" Pickard

January 2, 1932 - March 23, 2024

Virgelene Helen "Mick" Pickard of Ankeny died peacefully on March 23, 2024, at Mill Pond assisted-living in Ankeny.

A Celebration of Her Life will be 11 AM on April 2, 2024, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 517 SW Des Moines Street, Ankeny, Iowa. Visitation will be one hour prior to services there at the church. Burial will be 2:30 PM at the Mamre Cemetery in Stanton, Iowa.

Mick was born the daughter of Virgil and Alta Shogren on January 2, 1932, in Red Oak Iowa. In 1955, she married Dean DeVoss and together they had three children. In 1964, the family moved to Ankeny where Mick began her 42-year career at Hy-Vee. Mick lost her husband to cancer in 1978. Several years later she married George Pickard and expanded her family with four stepchildren.

Mick was known by many people in Ankeny through her work as a cashier at Hy-Vee. People would wait in long lines just to have a friendly conversation with her. She also loved to travel, visiting almost every state and touring Europe.

Her cooking and baking skills were legendary, spaghetti and meatballs were her specialty and her pies, Christmas candy, and red velvet cakes were

always in high demand.

Mick was a decades-long member of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church where for many years she sang with the choir. Her singing skills were admired by everyone who heard her sing.

Above all, Mick cherished her family. Her house was always the gathering place for any occasion. It was a home of love and acceptance for all, grandma's house was the place to be.

Mick is preceded in death by her husbands, Dean DeVoss and George Pickard; sisters, Phyllis Isaacson, Lois Casavant and Annie Shogren; and son-in-law, Steve Czodli. She is survived by her son, Marty DeVoss; daughters, Julie DeVoss Czodli and Jacque (Steve) Penfold; along with grandchildren, Jordin (Josh) Gordon, Jeremy and Erik Penfold. Mick was blessed with five adorable, great grandchildren, Taelin, Cecelia, Forrest, Max and Joelle Gordon.

In Lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's foundation.

Cemetery Details

Mamre Cemetery

2532-2546 US 34
Stanton, IA 51573

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
517 SW Des Moines St
Ankeny, IA 50023
(515) 964-4348

Celebration of Life

APR 2. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
517 SW Des Moines Street
Ankeny, IA 50023

Tribute Wall



“ So sorry to hear about your mom Marty. Nick was such a sweet lady and I too loved talking to her at HyVee. I never knew you were from Red Oak. I too was born there and moved to Ankeny in 1969. Small word!

Darla Harbert - April 30, 2024 at 07:48 PM

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“ Steve and Barb Isaacson purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Virgelene Helen "Mick" Pickard.



Steve and Barb Isaacson - March 31, 2024 at 05:40 PM

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“ Steve and Barb Isaacson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virgelene Helen "Mick" Pickard.

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Virgelene Helen "Mick" Pickard.



March 28, 2024 at 02:53 PM

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“ *Michele Johnson and Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Virgelene Helen "Mick" Pickard.*



Michele Johnson and Family - March 28, 2024 at 12:05 PM