

Laura L. Albert,
63

Sept. 6, 1955 - Dec. 27, 2018



WILLMAR, MN – Laura Lynn Albert was born on September 6, 1955, in Harlan the daughter of Gilbert and Darlene (Dickinson) Hanson. She grew up in rural Kirkman and graduated from Irwin High School with The Class of 1974. She was united in marriage to Michael Albert on August 27, 1977, at Ledges State Park in Boone. Mike was stationed in Phoenix, AZ where they lived until 1981. Laura worked in health care. Following Mike's discharge from the Air Force, they moved to the Willmar area, where Laura began working for the Willmar Regional Treatment Center as an HST and later as a Behavioral Analyst for the State of Minnesota. She retired on July 7, 2017, after 36 years of service.

Laura was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Irwin. She was currently attending Living Word Lutheran Church in New London. She volunteered with the Traumatic Brain Injury Support Group.

Laura enjoyed antiques, gardening vegetables and especially flowers. She loved animals, always having cats and dogs as pets. Her family was very important to her, she always made an extra effort to celebrate the birthdays, anniversaries and any occasions that warranted celebrating. She loved family trips to the north shore. This past year, Laura had been arranging family trips including: The Black Hills, Up North and to Iowa to see both her and Mike's families.

Laura L. Albert, 63, of Willmar, died Thursday, Dec. 27 at Carris Health Rice Memorial Hospital in Willmar. Local service will be 11 am, Tuesday, January 8 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Irwin. www.hafh.org

Laura was preceded in death by her parents; niece April VanMeter; great-nephew Jacob Henkleman; father-in-law Kenny Albert and honorary grandson Wesley Needham.

Laura is survived by her loving husband of 41 years, Mike Albert; daughter Carli Johnson; son Zac Albert; grandson Barrett Johnson all of Willmar; sisters and brother: Peggy (and Ron) Doonan of Harlan, Karl (and Cindy) Hanson of Kirkman, twin sister, Linda VanMeter (and special friend Kevin Hokom) of New London; mother-in-law, Leona Albert of Washburn, IA; and many nieces, nephews, honorary children and grandchildren, other relatives, neighbors and friends.