



Diana Rae Van Ness

September 16, 1940 - January 17, 2025

Diana Rae Van Ness passed away January 17, 2025 in Shady Cove, Oregon with her cherished husband, Don Van Ness, by her side. They were married for 21 years. Diana was born on September 16, 1940 in Etna, CA to Janet Brandsma and Charles Gordon (Bud) Munson.

Diana was a devoted mother to her children, Debra Pearson of Texas and Duane Beers of Shady Cove, Oregon. Diane loved her grandchildren-Trista Beers, BJ Beers, Kali Lopez (Oscar), Alyssa Beers, Robert Werder, Jeffery Werder, and Bryan Werder (Stephany, Abais, Stella)-and her great-grandchildren Paisley and Easton Lopez, Robert and Mark Werder; niece, Tracy Dickinson, great-nieces Jana Padilla, Taylor Dickinson, great-great-nieces Lyla and Eleanor Padilla; nephew Wade and Shelley Dickinson, great-nieces/nephews Colton, Payton, and Carson Dickinson. Diana was preceded in death by her mother and father, stepdad Robert (Bob) Davis, her deceased husband Charles Robert (Bob) Beers her beloved siblings John "Butch" Munson, Willie Munson, and Judy Dickinson.

Diana dedicated many years to Scott Valley Bank where she was admired for her loyalty and strong work ethics. She retired after many years of faithful service.

Shortly thereafter, Diana and Don were married and moved on to manage storage units in Redding and Springfield until 2019 when they retired together. After a brief stay in Florence, they moved to Shady Cove to be close to family. Diana developed lifelong friends anywhere she went and often gathered with

the girls for fun and fellowship. Her genuine smile brightened up a room. She radiated kindness, warmth, loyalty, and love to everyone she met. She treasured nature's beauty, especially freshly bloomed flowers. Diana was renowned for her stunningly beautiful yards that showcased her talent. Diana was a treasured wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend. Her memory will forever be a source of inspiration to those her life touched. Diana was a woman of deep faith who wanted everyone to know and trust in her Lord Jesus and Savior as she did. Her faith was her single most valued possession.

A celebration of life will be held on Wednesday, May 28, 2025 at 2:00 PM at the Etna City Park.

Tribute Wall



“ 12 files added to the album *Obituary Wall*



Girdner Funeral Chapel - April 27 at 03:32 PM

BW

“ *I'm so so so sorry to hear this! She will be missed greatly. Papa Don, I've been trying to get in touch with you. If anyone could help me I'd appreciate it! I love you papa, stay strong, the universe has you in its hands and will guide you through this very hard time. I love you papa*

Brandon White - July 03, 2025 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *701-570-0955 I forgot to include my number. I'd love to talk to you!*

Brandon White - July 03, 2025 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ I love the picture of Diana and her wonderful smile. I am grateful to have been her sister-in-law. She was a great blessing to my brother Don. I will forever be grateful for the loving kindness she gave freely to my Mom and and Dad at the end of their lives. In loving gratitude,
Linda Van Ness

Linda Van Ness - January 26, 2025 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ I'm so grateful to have had such a great woman marry my Uncle Donald. They have been a blessing to each other through thick and thin. I still remember her working at the bank and seeing her during the summer visits to Etna. I wished I could have made it to Oregon to give you a great big hug Uncle Donald...but I will make it up to you this Spring at her celebration of life! The world lost a wonderful, sweet, loving soul but heaven has gained a true angel!
Love, Catherine

Catherine Van Ness - January 26, 2025 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Diana only a short while. She was a beautiful lady and will be missed.

Don and other family members, you are in our prayers.

Melissa Shreeve - January 25, 2025 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ We were privileged to have Don and Diane as our neighbors the last 2 1/2 years....
Always waving as they drove by, they were the best...
Diane had the most beautiful smile that lit up her eyes
Whenever we had to leave town they kept an eye on things for us.
We will miss that great smile and willingness to help. We send our condolences to all her family and friends...

Rod and Ann Stiver....Shady Cove

Ann Stiver - January 25, 2025 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ The world has lost one of it's finest people. Diana was wonderfully courageous, kind and loving. She was a woman of enormous faith and is no doubt feeling the rewards of that faith in this very hour. A truly beautiful person who will be greatly missed by all who had the good fortune to know her. *Connie and Bob*

Robert Van Ness - January 24, 2025 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Grandma you were and always will be the light of my life; this was a heartbreaking experience that I was no where near prepared for! I love you more than the world. You and uncle Willie take care of each other. I love and miss you both more than you can imagine.

Alyssa Beers - January 24, 2025 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Grandma you're so so deeply missed, it hurts my heart that you're gone, but you were the most beautiful person always so caring and selfless, generous and loving, you were the perfect example of how people should be in this world. I'll love you forever and cherish your memory. The time we spent together was my favorite times. You were my biggest cheerleader, never judged, never once thought about turning your back on me, forever in my corner, you truly loved unconditionally. You were the best.

Trista - January 24, 2025 at 12:00 AM

GV

“ I worked with Diana many years ago at Scott Valley Bank in Etna. She was an upbeat optimistic and kind person. She also was a deer hunter, outdoors person and took her personal time to cook for fire crews. We need more like her in this world.

Gayle Veale - January 24, 2025 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Girdner Funeral Chapel

A Memorial Tree was planted for Diana Rae Van Ness - January 23, 2025 at 12:00 AM

KI

“ Oh Sweet Diana .. Thank you for all your love through the years and being so good to Don Juan .
Wade, Shelly & the rest of the Family my Loves n Hugs your way
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KimLen - January 23, 2025 at 12:00 AM