



## Donna Joy Dinardi

March 2, 1934 - April 24, 2020

Donna Joy Dinardi, age 86, formerly of Glendive, MT, passed away on April 24, 2020 at her residence in Helena, MT.

Donna was born on March 2, 1934 to Frank and Edith Pettersen. She was the oldest of six children. Donna attended school at Dawson County High School and graduated in 1952.

On June 28, 1952 Donna eloped to Billings to marry the love of her life, Andrew “Joe” Dinardi at the Yellowstone County Court House. Donna and Joe raised 3 sons and a daughter in Glendive before moving to Billings in 1985. Donna and Joe shared 47 years together before Joe’s passing on March 2, 1998.

Donna started her professional career as a phone operator for Mountain Bell, where she advanced to supervisor. Joe’s job later took them to Billings, where Donna worked as a seamstress in the Billings Heights until she retired in 2011. She had a passion for sewing, especially when it came to creating blankets and bears for her family. Baking was her second passion. Her cookie jar was almost always full of snickerdoodles, and her potato dinner rolls were a favorite at every holiday gathering. Fall was a great time of year for her; a time where she could be found cheering on her Montana Grizzlies and Denver Bronco football teams.

She treasured the company of her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Their time spent together always brought a smile to her face. Donna was continually encircled by family. Together they enjoyed great card games and a few sips of wine. The bond she had with her sisters was beyond any love you could describe. They shared so many fond memories together of sewing, cooking, camping, and playing cards.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe; parents Frank and Edith, brother in-laws Don Boyd, and Roger Hardebeck.

Donna is survived by her four children, son Dennis (Lynda) Dinardi of Billings, MT,

daughter Brenda (Dave) Koch of Helena, MT, son Randi Dinardi (BobiSue) of Miles City, MT, son Andy Dinardi of Glendive, MT, eleven grandchildren, seventeen great-grandchildren, brother Richard "Dick" (Brenda) Pettersen Deer Park, TX, four sisters Loretta (Les) Stern Savage, MT, Leora of Sun City West, AZ, Myrna "Toots" (Dan) Wornek of Fallon, NV, Renasue (Harold) Heafield of Glendive, MT, and numerous nieces and nephews, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Friends of Hospice by mail: 800 Front Street, Helena, MT 59601 or online: [www.frontierhhh.com](http://www.frontierhhh.com)

Viewing at Silha Funeral Home in Glendive will be on Friday, May 1st from 5 to 7 PM.  
Immediate Family: Interment will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive on Saturday, May 2 at 2 pm.

\*Note: Celebration of Life Ceremony to be held at a later date.

# Cemetery

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## Dawson Memorial Cemetery

2816 West Towne Street  
Glendive, MT, 59330

# Events

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**MAY** **Visitation** 05:00PM - 07:00PM

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Silha Funeral Homes - Glendive, Montana  
221 N. Meade Avenue P.O. Box 848, Glendive, MT, US,  
59330

**MAY** **Graveside Service** 02:00PM - 03:00PM

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Dawson Memorial Cemetery  
2816 West Towne Street, Glendive, MT, US, 59330

# Comments

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“ Our condolences to the family and friends of Donna Dinardi at this difficult time. Brenda sorry for your loss.



**Denise (Ballentine) & Joe Borntreger** - May 04, 2020 at 07:17 PM

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“ Kymberley Allen And Terraynah Allen lit a candle in memory of Donna Joy Dinardi



**Kymberley Allen and Terraynah Allen** - May 04, 2020 at 06:22 PM

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“ Debbie Tweet lit a candle in memory of Donna Joy Dinardi



**Debbie Tweet** - May 02, 2020 at 02:33 AM

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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Donna Joy Dinardi.



April 30, 2020 at 08:11 PM

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“ My husband and I came to know Donna when we resided at Touchmark in Helena. She was always pleasant and friendly when we passed in the hallway or shared a meal in the dining room. She transported her beloved Chihuahua "Max" in her walker when she was out and about. I remember her walker was decorated with crocheted flowers, very colorful. We extend our deepest sympathies to her family and friends. It was a pleasure to know her.

Lynn and Annette Wakefield

**Annette Wakefield** - April 29, 2020 at 11:00 AM

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“ The Legacy Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Donna Joy Dinardi.



**The Legacy Family** - April 29, 2020 at 10:56 AM

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“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Donna Joy Dinardi.



April 29, 2020 at 10:45 AM

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“ I met Donna while working at Mountain Bell. She was a a ray of sunshine and a delightful coworker. My deepest sympathy and prayers are with your family in the loss of this wonderful lady.



**Eula Langton** - April 28, 2020 at 03:26 PM

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“ We are so sorry to hear of Donna's passing. Know that you all are in our thoughts & prayers. Cherish all the fond memories.

**Cherise Patterson** - April 27, 2020 at 10:35 PM

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“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Donna Joy Dinardi.



April 27, 2020 at 08:37 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donna Joy Dinardi.



April 27, 2020 at 08:13 PM

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“ Mary Coyan Perryman lit a candle in memory of Donna Joy Dinardi



Mary Coyan Perryman - April 27, 2020 at 07:55 PM

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“ Such a beautiful lady! I remember all the get togethers in Glendive at Uncle Joe and Auntie Donna's and OH! Uncle Joe's cooking! All of us cousins! So many great memories. Rest in peace Auntie Donna and know you will be missed and loved by all who knew you!



Donnette - April 27, 2020 at 07:10 PM

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“ Some of my favorite memories with Donna we're on the farm baking fruit cake for the holiday and then we would all make Christmas dinner and then of course there was cards which brought a lot of laughter to all of us and then there was always the little horses born in the spring that we have to go see and they were very special and we all enjoyed them! But just spending time together is what made our time so special and I will always have those memories! I love her and her kind soul and will always miss her!

Leora Boyd - April 27, 2020 at 06:47 PM

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“ Paula Jimison Gorder lit a candle in memory of Donna Joy Dinardi



Paula Jimison Gorder - April 27, 2020 at 12:59 PM

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“ John And Terra Doll lit a candle in memory of Donna Joy Dinardi



John and Terra Doll - April 27, 2020 at 10:48 AM

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“ DANIEL DINARDI lit a candle in memory of Donna Joy Dinardi



DANIEL DINARDI - April 26, 2020 at 08:31 PM

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“ Dick Sadorf lit a candle in memory of Donna Joy Dinardi



Dick Sadorf - April 26, 2020 at 05:03 PM

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“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Cassie Koch - April 26, 2020 at 04:19 PM

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“ Donna's family. So sorry to hear about her passing. I worked with her at the telephone office when she was a supervisor there. God Bless your family and now she can fly with the angels high up in heaven.  
Carol Hanson

Carol Hanson - April 25, 2020 at 08:20 PM

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“ Carol Hanson lit a candle in memory of Donna Joy Dinardi



Carol Hanson - April 25, 2020 at 08:16 PM