



## Colleen Pedersen

May 25, 1928 - June 6, 2021

On June 6, 2021, our dear sweet Mom Colleen Pedersen left us to be with her beloved husband, Eugene.

Mom was born Colleen Avis to Percy and Mary (Chrisholm) Reynolds on May 25, 1928 in Flasher, ND. Her father, Percy, passed away of Lou Gehrig's disease when Mom was only five. Grandma Mary and Mom moved back to the Chrisholm family farm in Fargo, ND, for a number of years. Mom had many happy memories growing up on the farm with her cousins and farm animals.

When Mom was a junior in high school, Grandma married Witt Thoma, and they moved to Bozeman, MT. During high school, Mom enjoyed playing in the band. During the summer while attending MSU, Mom worked in Yellowstone Park at Old Faithful Inn. She forged close friendships, and these girls remained in contact until they were in their 80's!

While attending MSU, Mom caught the eye of a certain young cowboy.

Through her friends, he had to know the answer to a very important question – "Do you like horses?" This began the story of our Mom & Dad – they were married on Sept. 14, 1948 in Glendive, MT. When they were first married they worked at the Boys' Ranch in Sentinel Butte, ND. Most weekends were spent going with Dad to compete in rodeos. They then returned to Glendive when they ranched & raised registered Quarter horses. They had 5 children, and Mom managed kids, a home, and helping with the ranch. They both were busy supporting their family in horse shows, rodeos, and other sports. Mom

was a life-long member of the Methodist Church choir until a few years ago.

She also greatly enjoyed her homemakers club for many years.

On Aug. 10, 2016, Dad passed away. She took pride in the fact that they both felt they'd chosen the right person to spend their life with, and were together for just short of 69 years.

Mom was able to spend the majority of her remaining years as she wished – on the family ranch, until about a year ago.

Mom leaves behind her 5 children, Nancy (Sean Gallogly), Terry (Nancy), Dale (Susan), Robert and Mary (Tim Burman), 9 grandchildren (Kevin, Erin, Sean, Katie, Mackenzie & Dominick Gallogly), Sheyanne Pedersen, and Brett (Julia) Burman and Breann (Danny Cullinan), 19 great-grandchildren: Brodyn, Brynlie, Bristol, Waelyn, Klyne, Isaiah, Caitlyn, Dillon, Makayla, Kevin, Givans, Emma, Harper, Mylie, Teal, Jordon, Brayden, Cameron, & Zander, her sister-in-law, Betty Ayre, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Visitation will be from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM on Friday, June 11, 2021 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Funeral services will be at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 12, 2021 at the United Methodist Church in Glendive with Pastor Kevin Garman officiating. Interment will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements

# Cemetery Details

## Dawson Memorial Cemetery

2816 West Towne Street  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Homes - Glendive, Montana  
221 N. Meade Avenue  
P.O. Box 848  
Glendive, MT 59330  
(406) 377-2622  
silha@midrivers.com  
<https://www.silhafuneralhomes.com>

## Funeral Service

JUN 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

United Methodist Church  
206 West Towne Street  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Tribute Wall



“ *Colleen Pedersen*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Our condolences to the family and friends of Colleen Pedersen during this difficult time. I grew up knowing her and her family as my girlfriend, Laurie is her niece. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.*



**Denise & Joe Borntrager** - June 16, 2021 at 07:43 AM



“ *Rick And Karen Berg lit a candle in memory of Colleen Pedersen*



**Rick and Karen Berg** - June 12, 2021 at 03:51 PM



“ *1 file added to the album LifeTributes*



**Mary Lou Ayre** - June 11, 2021 at 04:48 PM



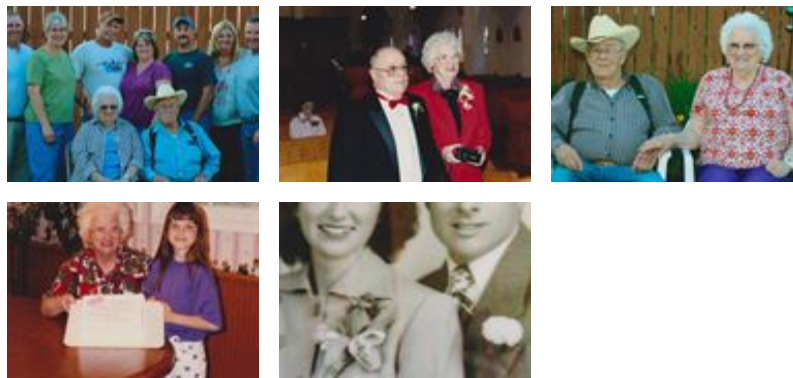
“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Colleen Pedersen.*



June 10, 2021 at 11:56 PM



“ *40 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Silha Funeral Home** - June 10, 2021 at 04:55 PM

DD

*As I was friends with Lisa I got to know this special lady. I knew her as Auntie and didn't know her name was Colleen until years later! Prayers for the family!*

**Denise Dion** - June 11, 2021 at 07:46 PM

DC

“ *Dave and Lori Cornwell purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Colleen Pedersen.*



**Dave and Lori Cornwell** - June 10, 2021 at 12:00 PM

BE

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. What a life well lived!  
Beth Conroy  
Conroy Care Assisted Living

Beth - June 10, 2021 at 10:53 AM

TD

“ Mary and Family~ I'm sorry for your loss of your mom. My thoughts and prayers are with you!



Tammy Dey - June 09, 2021 at 11:46 PM

CP

“ Cherish all the fond memories! I know I will of the times spent with the family.

Cherise Patterson - June 09, 2021 at 05:41 PM

PV

“ Sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Petersen family 🙏🏻🙏🏻🙏🏻



Pete and Deb Vogel - June 09, 2021 at 11:44 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Colleen Pedersen.*



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June 09, 2021 at 08:42 AM



“ *So blessed with having Auntie Colleen in my life with many memories growing up with our cousins. My visits with Auntie in both Glendive and Arizona (some years back) will always hold a special place in my heart. Her kind, sweet spirit and laugh was infectious. My sincere condolences to the Pedersen families, grandkids, and greats! -Mary Lou*

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**Mary Lou Ayre** - June 09, 2021 at 08:27 AM



“ *I will always carry sweet memories of Auntie and know how blessed I am to have had her pleasant spirit in my life. I will always carry with me the fond memories growing up with my cousins and the joy she brought to our gatherings. Our visits both in Glendive and Arizona (a few years back) were always a highlight and will be forever in my heart. Sending love and light to my dear cousins and families.*

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**Mary Lou Ayre** - June 09, 2021 at 01:15 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss! Thoughts and prayers to all of you!*

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**Tammy Helmuth** - June 08, 2021 at 09:00 PM

GE

“ Grace Koffler Evinrude lit a candle in memory of Colleen Pedersen



Grace Koffler Evinrude - June 08, 2021 at 08:29 PM

PM

“ I will always remember going to the Pedersen ranch and the fun we had! So sorry for your loss. Auntie Colleen will be greatly missed. Love and prayers ~ Patty

Patty Maddock - June 08, 2021 at 05:23 PM

GG

“ Wonderful Memories of a lovely, kind, and Thoughtful Lady!! Her smile and gentleness always made me feel better. Sincere Condolences to the family. gloria guffey

gloria j Guffey - June 08, 2021 at 12:31 PM

KM

Very nice and kind lady 🙏

kevin mcgovern - June 09, 2021 at 10:12 AM

MK

“ All my memories of Colleen reinforce what a gem of a lady she was. I enjoyed the visits we shared so much. My deepest sympathy to all of her family.



Myrna Kintz - June 08, 2021 at 10:56 AM

AH

“ Colleen and I had such a good time in church choir for so many years! Some evenings we laughed more than we sang. She was such a sweetheart and I have missed her in recent years. My thoughts are with your family. - Andrine Haas

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**Andrine Haas** - June 07, 2021 at 10:32 PM

CP

“ Dear family, So sorry to read of Colleen's passing. Know that you all are in our thoughts & prayers. Cherish all the fond memories as I will!

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**Cherise Patterson** - June 07, 2021 at 07:27 PM

RA

*Colleen was witty, real wit: quiet, perceptive. She struck that fine balance between being a wit and being a lady.*  
*Rose Marie Aus*

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**Rose Marie Aus** - June 09, 2021 at 11:57 PM

LA

*I was so fortunate to have had my Aunt Colleen in my life. She had a great sense of humor, and her presence at many family gatherings brought so much sunshine into our lives.*

*I was touched to find out one day that she and my Uncle Gene would have adopted me as their own if something had happened to my own parents. I could have been a cowgirl!*

*Wishing my dear cousins, their families, and her friends much comfort at this time.*

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**Laurie M Ayre** - June 10, 2021 at 11:28 AM

FF

“ *From, Your Aero Air Family purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Colleen Pedersen.*



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**From, Your Aero Air Family** - June 07, 2021 at 06:45 PM