



## Desseree Ann Stortz

July 11, 1946 - October 29, 2013

Desseree Ann Stortz, age 67, passed away peacefully at her home in Glendive surrounded by her family on Thursday, October 24, 2013 after a long courageous battle with cancer. Visitation will be from 10:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. on Monday, October 28, 2013 at the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at Zion Lutheran Church in Glendive with Pastor Avis Anderson officiating. These services will also be available via live webcast at: [www.zionlendive.com](http://www.zionlendive.com). Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements. Desseree was born on July 11, 1946 in Turtle Lake, North Dakota, the daughter of Harold A. and Lillian E. (Lynne) Westrum. She was raised and educated in Turtle Lake where she attended Turtle Lake High School graduating with the class of 1964. Following high school Desseree moved to Minot, North Dakota where she attended Minot State University and from there she moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota where she attended the Estelle Compton's Modeling Institute in 1968. Following her completion of modeling school, Desseree lived in Terry, Montana and Kenmare, North Dakota where she began selling Mary Kay Cosmetics before moving to Glendive in 1973 where she continued selling Mary Kay until the early 1980's when she opened a clothing store called "Desiree's". She expanded her business to include a store in Williston, North Dakota which she maintained until the late 1980's. To further her dream, she continued to have a store in Glendive and proceeded in opening another store called "Wishes & Dreams"

something she owned and operated for eighteen years. She met and later married her best friend Fred Stortz on October 27, 1993 in Coeur D'Alene, Idaho. She served on the boards of Enterprise Opportunities Inc. and Glendive Medical Center Foundation. She was also a member of Independent Retail Business Women, Chamber Merchants Group and Beta Sigma Phi. She was preceded in death by her parents, Harold and Lillian Westrum. Survivors include her husband and best friend of almost twenty years, Fred Stortz of Glendive; daughter, Jana McMillan; son, Justin (Jamie) McMillan; granddaughter, Jane; step-son, Travis (Nikole) Stortz; grandsons, Solomon and Roman all of Billings; four sisters and three brothers, Waldo (Kathy) Westrum of Turtle Lake, Shelby (Robert) Rutherford of Reading, Pennsylvania, Averie Tvenge of Minot, North Dakota, Norton (Faye) Westrum of Fort Benton, Montana, Juanita Wardell of Billings, Lynn (Joy) Westrum of Bismarck, North Dakota and Candace (Armin) Hinkelman of Watertown, South Dakota and twenty nieces and nephews. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: [www.silvernale-silhafuneralhome.com](http://www.silvernale-silhafuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall



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