



Lornea Mae DeSonia

June 10, 1945 - February 20, 2023

Surrounded by loved ones, both in body and spirit, Lornea Mae DeSonia transitioned into her heavenly home on February 20, 2023. This was exactly one month after being diagnosed with terminal lung cancer. A Memorial will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, March 3, 2023 at the American Legion in Glendive, Montana. Interment of ashes will be held at a later date. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements. Lornea was born on June 10, 1945 to Maurice and Lora (King) Utgaard. Being the 2nd oldest of 11 siblings, she later took on the role of matriarch and was the glue that kept the family together. She hosted family reunions and was often the place to stay for family coming to town. She worked at the Jordan Blue Room for many years and was working at the American Legion at the time of diagnosis. Lornea was a very hard and reliable worker with a no B.S. attitude. (Just ask Bill.) Her stubborn and strong-willed personality was verified when it was discovered she had some Scottish and Irish mixed in with her Norwegian ancestry. She was very proud and never wanted to be a burden on anybody. During her last hospital stay, she prided herself on being a low maintenance patient. Her love language was food. You know you were loved if you received one of her famous Christmas goody trays. Her most requested item was her trademark molasses cookies. She most content in her cozy little home. She enjoyed reading, word search puzzles, old westerns and reality game shows. (We knew better than to disturb her during Amazing Race or Barmageddon.) She cherished her Saturday phone calls with her cousin

Sandi Gardner, who she considered a sister.

Lornea was preceded in death by her parents; sister and brother-in-law, Lynda and Frank Datta.

Survivors include her daughter Shelley (Rob Laroche) Lammers of Canyon Lake, TX; grandchildren Daniele, Tori and Corey; great-grandchildren Riley, Serenity and Kole; daughter LaDora (Kevin) Baisch of Glendive and their evil cat; sisters Ferel (Darrel) Baltzell of Bemidji, MN, Kim (Vern) Kolkin of Bemidji, MN, Padra Utgaard of Seattle, WA, Holly (Wally) Gregory of Spooner, WI, and Andrea (Rodney) Schafer of Glendive; brothers Randy (Robin Ann) Utgaard of Dilworth, MN, Ron (Sheri) Utgaard of Billings, MT, Rick (Connie) Utgaard of Laurel, MT, and Robin (Clarice) Utgaard of Glendive; aunt Jean Hill of Dickinson, ND as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Dawson County Cemetery

Corner of North Sargent Ave. and East Allard
Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Previous Events

Memorial

MAR 3. 2:00 PM (MT)

American Legion
105 N Merrill Ave
Glendive, MT 59330-1632
(406) 393-8682

Tribute Wall

RM

“ *Ron Mischel lit a candle in memory of Lornea DeSonia*



Ron Mischel - May 01, 2023 at 01:18 PM

BS

“ *Prayers are with Lorena's family and all her siblings. So many years and so many special memories.*



Betty Shearer - February 28, 2023 at 01:10 AM

DC

“ *Doug and Melody Copeland purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Lornea Mae DeSonia.*



Doug and Melody Copeland - February 24, 2023 at 11:32 AM

CF

“ *To the Utgaard family, I have great memories of Lornea at the Metigoshe Reunions. So very sorry for the loss of your sister. She was so full of fun and easy to be around.*

cheryl Fredenburg - February 24, 2023 at 10:37 AM

BS

“ *Bob Kristie Stanhope lit a candle in memory of Lornea DeSonia*



Bob & Kristie Stanhope - February 24, 2023 at 10:19 AM

DF

“ *Been years since we have seen each other. Many great memories when we were young. Especially when we lived in Glendive. You will be missed.. prayers and love for the family.*

Debi Buller Fox - February 24, 2023 at 01:26 AM

DB

“ *My condolences to the family and friends of Lornea DeSonia at this difficult time. Prayers to all.*



Denise Borotrager - February 24, 2023 at 01:14 AM

MH

“ *To Lornea's family I send my sympathy on the loss of your mother and sister and grandmother. We went to school together as usually sat together as we were always at the end of the alphabet when teachers placed us in alphabetical order. She was an excellant waitress . My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. RIP Lornea.*



Margo Hellickson - February 23, 2023 at 03:57 PM

LF

“ *Linda Frank lit a candle in memory of Lornea DeSonia*



Linda Frank - February 23, 2023 at 02:16 AM

BT

“ *To the Utgard Family I'm so sorry for your families loss! LaDora and Shelley I'm so sorry for the loss of your Mom! Cherish your Memories! Becky(Chouinard)Tipton*

Becky Tipton - February 22, 2023 at 08:38 PM

CH

“ *Cheryl Haggerty lit a candle in memory of Lornea DeSonia*



Cheryl Haggerty - February 22, 2023 at 07:31 PM

JB

“ *Jenny Berreth lit a candle in memory of Lornea DeSonia*



Jenny Berreth - February 22, 2023 at 07:30 PM

DL

“ DAVE MICHELLE LUTTER sent a virtual gift in memory of Lornea Desonia



DAVE & MICHELLE LUTTER - February 22, 2023 at 04:33 PM

KY

“ Kylie Youngkin lit a candle in memory of Lornea Desonia



Kylie Youngkin - February 22, 2023 at 02:02 PM

JB

“ Joyce Bishop lit a candle in memory of Lornea Desonia



Joyce Bishop - February 22, 2023 at 01:25 PM

GH

“ GMC Hospice lit a candle in memory of Lornea Desonia



GMC Hospice - February 22, 2023 at 12:20 PM

JM

“ *Jay Miller lit a candle in memory of Lornea Desonia*



Jay Miller - February 22, 2023 at 10:57 AM

DD

“ *Dan Donna Dobson lit a candle in memory of Lornea Desonia*



Dan and Donna Dobson - February 21, 2023 at 09:10 PM

CH

“ *Carol Hanson lit a candle in memory of Lornea Desonia*



Carol Hanson - February 21, 2023 at 08:50 PM

DA

“ *Darrel Denise Alberts lit a candle in memory of Lornea Desonia*



Darrel and Denise Alberts - February 21, 2023 at 06:49 PM