



Margaret Winhofer

December 9, 1937 - September 22, 2023

Margaret Annette Lee was born December 9, 1937 in Lane Montana, the third of four children, to Sanford (Sam) and Violet (Kaiser) Lee. Margaret (everybody called her Margie) grew up on the family farm 12 miles northwest of Richey, Montana, attended elementary and high school in Richey, and graduated with the class of 1955. After graduation, Margaret worked in Wolf Point, Montana as a telephone operator. She met Dale Eggert and they were married on August 19, 1956. To this union, 4 children were born – Debbie, Alex, Tony and Jeff. Dale's occupation as a welder moved them to many different places.

After moving back to Richey in 1967, Margaret was everyone's favorite 'Avon lady', selling door to door. She also worked in the Richey grocery store, bakery and as a Post Office clerk. She retired in 1999 as Postmaster of Richey.

Margaret met George Winhofer through Jaycee's and they were married on December 6, 1972. To this union, Daryn and Kirk were born.

Margaret lived a full life, attending as many events as she could of her children, grandchildren and even great-grandchildren's lives throughout the years. In her mother's later years, Margaret helped take care of her mom, bringing her along to many of the events. Margaret loved to travel! She and George took some of the children and grandchildren on several trips, including Rapid City, Oregon, and even to Canada. Lots of fond memories were made. Margaret was famous for baking the best chocolate chip and molasses

cookies and always had some in the cookie jar or freezer.

She enjoyed wintering in Arizona, playing cards with her friends, and loved to line dance, sometimes being the first one on the dance floor! While in Arizona, she also loved going to the big flea markets and attending Lost Dutchman Days. She was very active! In Margaret's later years, she helped Kirk on the farm by flagging equipment, running for parts and occasionally taking dinners out to him.

Margaret's pride and joy were her family, and was dedicated to her children, grandchildren and many friends. She was loved by all who knew her and will be greatly missed.

As Margaret wished, there will be a private family service and burial on Thursday, October 5th. Following the burial, there will be a public celebration of her life at the Richey Senior Center at 5 p.m. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Margaret is survived by five children- Debbie (Keith) Carda, Dundee, OR; Alex (Betty Lou) Eggert, Glendive; Tony Eggert, Richey, MT; Daryn (Onya) Winhofer, Richey, MT; Kirk Winhofer, Richey, MT; Sisters Ginny (Rich) Tabatt, Helena, MT; Phyllis (Ron) Bennetts, Golden, CO; Grandchildren- Jeffrey (Ngan), Megan, Blaine (Duyen), Tiffani (John), Ashley (JR), Austin (Deon), Josh, Darcie (Stephen), Shawna, Ryan, Olivia, Aubrey, and Dominic. She is also survived by 11 great-grandchildren- Taylor, Hannah, Abby, Jace, Jack, Koen, Theo, Barrett, Boone, Odin and Levon, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Margaret was preceded in death by her son Jeff, parents Sam and Violet Lee, husband George, and brother Nordine.

Memorials can be made to the Ronald McDonald House, as this was Margaret's favorite charity. Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Richey Cemetery

Richey, MT 59259

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT **5**. 5:00 PM (MT)

Senior Center
S 4th St
Richey, MT 59259
(406) 773-5694

Tribute Wall

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“ *Margie was the nicest Lady ever, I will always cherish the memories of hanging out with my best friend Jeff at his house with his family. Thinking of you all!* ”

Kelly Starkey - October 05, 2023 at 12:35 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Margaret Winhofer.* ”



October 04, 2023 at 05:14 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Margaret Winhofer.* ”



September 28, 2023 at 03:16 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Margaret Winhofer.* ”



September 28, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Margaret Winhofer.*



September 28, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *Cory and Kristy Gossen & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Margaret Winhofer.*

Cory and Kristy Gossen & Family - September 27, 2023 at 11:36 PM



“ *Cory and Kristy Gossen & Family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Margaret Winhofer.*



Cory and Kristy Gossen & Family - September 27, 2023 at 11:36 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Margaret Winhofer.*

September 27, 2023 at 11:07 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Margaret Winhofer.*



September 27, 2023 at 11:07 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all!*



Anita Spencer - September 27, 2023 at 01:35 PM



“ *Barry N. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Margaret Winhofer.*




Barry N. - September 27, 2023 at 12:49 PM



“ *Marlene Gehnert lit a candle in memory of Margaret Winhofer*



Marlene Gehnert - September 26, 2023 at 03:41 PM

 Terri
Winhofer
LeSueur

“ *So sorry to hear about Margaret. She was an amazing lady. May you cherish the memories and hold them forever close in your hearts.*

Terri Winhofer LeSueur - September 24, 2023 at 09:17 PM