



Marilyn Stinnett

June 6, 1941 - December 12, 2015

Marilyn (Willoughby) Stinnett, age 74, passed away on Saturday, December 12, 2015 at her home in Glendive, Montana. A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, December 18, 2015 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive with Reverend Avis Anderson officiating. A lunch reception will follow at the Silha Tribute Center. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Marilyn was born on June 6, 1941 in Wolf Point, Montana to Muriel and J.H. (Pee Wee) Willoughby. She moved to Glendive when she was young and graduated from Dawson County High School in 1959. She moved to California for a short time, then returned to Glendive where she met and married Bob Stinnett. They moved to Glasgow Air Force Base in 1969. Together with their sons, Robert, Sandy and Russ they spent seven years there before returning to Glendive in 1976. Marilyn spent her professional life as a legal secretary working for various judges, county attorneys, and private practice lawyers until retiring on December 31, 2014.

However, Marilyn would likely name motherhood as her most important job. She was eternally proud of her sons, Sandy and Rusty, and her pride continued to grow with her five grandchildren. Nothing was more special to her than sharing time with her family. She also enjoyed relaxing with a hot cup of Earl Grey tea, a good book and the companionship of her four-legged family members.

Known affectionately as "The Magpies," Marilyn developed special

relationships with other “legal gals” in the community, as well as the “59’ers” (her classmates from the DCHS class of 1959). She was also a member of the Women of the Moose, the Order of the Eastern Star and the Ladies Auxiliary VFW.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James Henry (Pee Wee) and Muriel

(Shefelbine) Willoughby; her sister, Winifred; an infant sister; and one son, Robert Stinnett. Survivors include her sons, Sandon (Jackie) Stinnett of Glendive and Russell (Amber) Stinnett of Havre; and five grandchildren, Brett and Tayler Stinnett, and Myles, Abigail and Adison Stinnett.

In lieu of flowers, family members have requested memorials to be sent to the Boys and Girls Club in Marilyn’s name.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 18. 11:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Marilyn Stinnett*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *She was one the shortest classmate and one who did the most for all funtions for the class of 59 to keep it together. She will be missed very much and leaves some shoes to fill to carry what she did for our class .She was a very special peson who will miissed by ALL Derrell Diegel*

Derrell Diegel - December 20, 2015 at 12:22 PM



“ *I am sorry that this beautiful woman is no longer with us. She was a close friend and I will miss her dearly. I am sending prayers to her family to find peace and strength during this hard time.*

Gayle Sharbono - December 18, 2015 at 10:52 AM



“ *Gayle Sharbono lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett*



Gayle Sharbono - December 18, 2015 at 10:46 AM

MK

“ Sandy, Rusty and families, I am so very sorry for the loss of your mom. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. She leaves a pretty amazing legacy behind. Rest in Peace.

melissa powell kwasney - December 17, 2015 at 04:08 PM

FT

“ From Everyone at Beaver Creek Brewery/Gem Theatre purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Marilyn Stinnett.



From Everyone at Beaver Creek Brewery/Gem Theatre -
December 17, 2015 at 02:41 PM

LT

“ Les And Virginia Tipton lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett



Les and Virginia Tipton - December 16, 2015 at 09:11 PM

LT

Sandy, Rusty and families. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this sad time. Marilyn was such a wonderful person and so helpful in recommending lawyers when I needed one. My dad would always purchase his Chevy vehicles from Pee Wee and my mother got to know Murial. Ironically I got to know Marilyn when she was looking for a babysitter for both of you! She always had a smile on her face and a hello how are you! Heaven has gained an angel. Hold dear all your memories as they will help you through this trying time. RIP Marilyn. Virginia Tipton

Les and Virginia Tipton - December 16, 2015 at 09:17 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marilyn Stinnett.*



December 16, 2015 at 08:43 PM



“ *I had the pleasure to work with Marilyn over the years and she was quite a force to be reckoned with for such a short little person. She taught me so much about life, work and Glendive. In life she was dedicated to her children and grandchildren and of course, her beloved pets. In work she was professional with a stickler for details. She would tell stories of being a young mother living on the air force base. Marilyn had a way of telling stories with a certain "wit" and sense of humor. Marilyn knew so much about people thru her many years in her profession and I always laughed when she would say "just give me the last name". Yes indeed, Marilyn had the goods on many but would never talk about what she knew on paper. That was her quiet strength. Best Wishes and God Bless to each of you and know that she will always be with you thru the memories you have.*

Barb Kunick - December 16, 2015 at 03:42 PM



“ *Janette Legato lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett*



Janette Legato - December 16, 2015 at 03:14 PM

HO

“ I met Marilyn and her Mother around 12 years ago. Totally enjoyed both ladies and they will be missed terribly. She truly is the greatest daughter, mother, grandmother, and friend any one could ever have in their life.. I thank Marilyn for sharing her mother with me as we all became friends that will always be cherished She liked Owls and Cats and I like chickens. I am fond of all the memories I shared in such a short time. Prayers and Blessings to all of family who were the best part of her life.... .. Helen Osterman

Helen Osterman - December 16, 2015 at 11:41 AM

BK

“ Bonita Keel lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett



Bonita Keel - December 16, 2015 at 03:49 AM

RM

“ We give our condolences to the family. She was an excellent legal secretary and employee and very nice person. Russell and Dora McDonough

Russell McDonough - December 15, 2015 at 07:04 PM

CB

“ My heart is heavy today hearing this news. Marilyn was such a loving daughter,mom and friend. Always took the time to stop and chat. Another angel who has earned her wings Know that you were loved and hold tight to the memories.

Cindi Byron - December 15, 2015 at 06:59 AM

LF

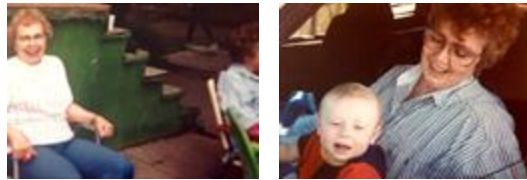
“ *LeRoy Bares Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Marilyn Stinnett.*



LeRoy Bares Family - December 14, 2015 at 10:07 PM

EP

“ *2 files added to the album New Album Name*



erin pinney - December 14, 2015 at 09:55 PM

HS

“ *SEAMS HARD TO SAY FARE WELL TO A LIFE LONG FRIEND, SHE WILL BE MISSED BY A LOT OF FRIENDS, SHE ALWAYS SMILED& GREETED EVERY ONE SHE MADE CONTACT WITH,A VERY PROFESSIONAL, ADORABLE LADY, /////*

HAROLD SKARTVED - December 14, 2015 at 09:45 PM

RS

*Thanks so much Harold.
Russ*

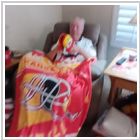
Russell Stinnett - December 15, 2015 at 08:41 PM

GM

“ *Gene Leslie Micheletto lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett*



Gene Leslie Micheletto - December 14, 2015 at 09:32 PM



“ *Marilyn was my wonderful friend and playmate since 1949. We attended elementary junior high and high school together. We laughed a lot and shared many good memories. Our best time was being in camp fire girls together and taking a trip to South Dakota. We sang our Indian song around the camp fire and ate s'mores. At our class reunions we always took the traditional camp fire sisters picture. Marilyn you were a wonderful mother and so very proud of your boys. Our 1959 class will miss you at our next reunion and we always appreciated the hard work you did in organizing them. From a very dear friend Cookie Allen Mitchell*

Kit Foreman - December 14, 2015 at 08:28 PM

RS

Oh Cookie, the stories you could tell all of us....

Russell Stinnett - December 15, 2015 at 08:44 PM

JS

“ *Jim And Donna Stanfill lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett*



Jim and Donna Stanfill - December 14, 2015 at 04:59 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Marilyn Stinnett.*



December 14, 2015 at 04:58 PM



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Jackie Smith - December 14, 2015 at 03:29 PM



“ *Health Nut Basket was purchased for the family of Marilyn Stinnett.*



December 14, 2015 at 02:56 PM



“ *Russ and Sandy and your families. Your mom was an amazing woman. I ever when we were all kids, we had some great times. My prayers to you and your families. She will be missed.*



Dina House - December 14, 2015 at 01:35 PM

JA

“ Marilyn was the energizer bunny of the DCHS class of 1959. She was the key to all our reunions and great friend to us all. Rest in peace friend Marilyn.

John Ahlquist

John Ahlquist - December 14, 2015 at 01:23 PM

JO

“ John lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett



John - December 14, 2015 at 01:21 PM

YZ

“ Yvette Zimdars lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett



Yvette Zimdars - December 14, 2015 at 12:40 PM

MB

“Marilyn was one of my dearest friends for over 30 years. She was the most loyal person I have ever known. She was so proud of her "boys" and her grandchildren. They were pretty much her whole life! Marilyn and I had fun times together and secret sharing sessions. She could make me laugh harder than anyone. Last week we were discussing nursing home insurance. She said she didn't need it cuz she was never going to a nursing home... she planned to die in her own house. As stubborn as Marilyn was, that's exactly what she did! I will miss her terribly!!

Mitzi Barney - December 14, 2015 at 10:36 AM

RS

Oh Mitzy, love you and your family.

Russell Stinnett - December 14, 2015 at 08:31 PM



“Sandy, Russ and family. In our thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time. Dustin & Monica Amundson

Monica Amundson - December 14, 2015 at 10:21 AM



“Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marilyn Stinnett.



December 14, 2015 at 10:16 AM

JS

“Wow, so many memories. Marilyn worked hard to bring the class of 59 together for reunions and we all appreciated her faithfulness to that effort. She was one of the famous Campfire girls of Glendive, Helen Cummings group. Many blessings to her family and friends. May she rest in peace. Judy Carter Stegmeier



Judy Stegmeier - December 14, 2015 at 10:03 AM



“My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Marilyn was a wonderful person who loved her family and friends a lot. She was so wonderful to know.



Brenda Powell Herbaugh - December 14, 2015 at 09:28 AM

AT

“I have a big lump in my throat. Marilyn came in every week to get flowers. She was always so positive. My heart breaks, for you, her family. Our deepest condolences.

Amy and Tom Temple and The Flower Basket crew.

Amy Temple - December 14, 2015 at 09:24 AM

EC

“Ellen Cornwell lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett



Ellen Cornwell - December 14, 2015 at 08:18 AM

VV

“ Vicki Viall lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett



Vicki Viall - December 14, 2015 at 07:32 AM

GH

“ Sending prayers and thought to family and friends of sweet Marilyn. The class of '59 would have never remained connected without all her efforts

Georgia Harrington - December 14, 2015 at 05:36 AM

VH

“ Vonnalee Geiger Hill lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett



Vonnalee Geiger Hill - December 14, 2015 at 02:38 AM

CP

“ Carla Prevost lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett



Carla Prevost - December 14, 2015 at 02:03 AM

GL

“ *Glenda And Bill LaBree lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett*



Glenda and Bill LaBree - December 14, 2015 at 12:53 AM

JH

“ *John Harpster lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett*



John Harpster - December 14, 2015 at 12:13 AM

LF

“ *She loved owls. We've been pals, classmates since the age of 8, members of the Five Secret Sisters, Campfire Girls and the amazing class of 1959 of which Marilyn organized the best reunions ever...even our 55th when it seemed like it would never happen. She was the cutest little blond baton twirler ever. She always called me 'Fritsch'. She remembered my birthday. I miss my little friend. Linda (Fritsch) Fasching*

Linda Fritsch Fasching - December 13, 2015 at 11:16 PM

RS

*Linda, thank you so much for sharing you memories with us.
Russ Stinnett*

Russell Stinnett - December 14, 2015 at 01:35 PM

DE

“ *Denny lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett*



denny - December 13, 2015 at 09:28 PM

TD

“ *Tammy Dey lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett*



Tammy Dey - December 13, 2015 at 05:45 PM

TD

“ *Sandon, Russ and family ~ I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. I enjoyed talking to her and she always had a smile on her face. Cherish your memories as you will always have them. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Tammy Dey

Tammy Dey - December 13, 2015 at 05:45 PM

RS

*Thanks Tammy
Russ*

Russell Stinnett - December 14, 2015 at 01:37 PM

JG

“ *Jerry Geiger lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Stinnett*



Jerry Geiger - December 13, 2015 at 04:56 PM