



Sandra L. Schafer-Nagy

October 6, 1943 - January 4, 2020

Sandra Lou (Gilg) Schafer-Nagy, the daughter of Louis and Mary Lou (Hollister) Gilg, was born October 6, 1943 in Bassett, Nebraska. She passed away peacefully on January 4, 2020 with family at her side at Salina Regional Health Center in Salina, Kansas, at the age of 76 years, 2 months, and 29 days.

Sandra was a 1961 graduate of Rock County High School in Bassett, and she continued her education at Mary Lanning Hospital and Hastings College in Hastings, Nebraska where she earned her nursing degree. She dedicated her life to nursing, and spent the majority of her career at Mary Lanning Hospital in Hastings until her retirement.

Sandra was married to Gaylord (Nellie) Schafer from 1973 until his death in 1998. On July 16, 2005, she married Herman Nagy who passed away in 2011. Sandy loved her family. She was proud of her children and always wanted the best for them. She was especially fond of her grandchildren and great grandchild, always looking forward to seeing them and sharing time together. They were the lights of her life.

Sandra enjoyed a very active life. In earlier years, she enjoyed bowling with her friends and grandchildren, and spending time at the lake with her lake family. These past few years, she maintained a busy schedule playing bridge.

She also spent numerous hours connecting with family, friends, former nursing colleagues, and high school classmates. Sandy was a member of the St. Mary's Altar Society, the Shickley American Legion Auxiliary and she spent many hours as a volunteer for the American Red Cross, coordinating the local blood drives and teaching CPR.

Sandra was preceded in death by her parents; first husband Gaylord Schafer and second husband Herman Nagy.

She is survived by her two children, Kris Benson of McPherson, KS, and Jason Schafer (Trish) of Bethlehem, PA; grandchildren Jacob Benson, Katie (Kevin) Hewitt, Makenzie Benson, Zachary Schafer, and Reghan Schafer; great grandchild Benson James Hewitt; sisters Carol (Owen) Dutt, Florissant, MO and Jo (Doug) Durr, Salina, KS; son-in-law Bradley Benson, Salina, KS; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Funeral Mass for Sandra was held on Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church in Shickley, Nebraska. Father Harlan Waskowiak officiated the Mass.

Carol Grote accompanied the congregation in the singing of "On Eagles' Wings," "Be Not Afraid" "Away In A Manger," and "Song Of Farewell." She also accompanied the Gaspers Family Singers in the singing of "Walk In The World For Me."

Pallbearers for the service included Doug Durr, Dustin Durr, Brad Benson, Doug Gergen, Bill Grote, and Russ Reinsch. Honorary Bearers included Katie Hewitt, Kevin Hewitt, Makenzie Benson, Jacob Benson, Zachary Schafer, and Reghan Schafer.

Interment was held in the St. Mary Catholic Cemetery.

Farmer & Son Funeral Home was in care of the arrangements and online condolences can be left with www.farmerandsonfuneralhome.com

Memorials are suggested to the Catholic Charities.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

Rural Shickley, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 7. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Farmer & Son Funeral Home
242 N 10th Street
Geneva, NE 68361
(402) 759-3617
<https://farmerandsonfuneralhome.com>

Rosary

JAN 7. 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church
703 Swartzendruber Dr
Shickley, NE 68436

Funeral Mass

JAN 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

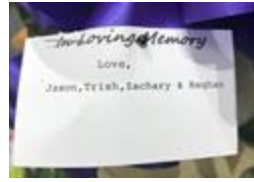


“ *My thoughts and prayers to all. Sandy was a very nice and fun lady to be around. We had some good times bowling.*
Robin Wahlert

Robin Wahlert - January 09, 2020 at 06:53 PM



“ *20 files added to the album Flower Pictures*



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - January 08, 2020 at 01:13 PM

CM

“ To Jo, Kris, Jason, your families and all of Sandys friends, we are surrounding you all in prayers for comfort and peace. We are so sorry for your loss. We will keep you in our thoughts throughout the day and pray it is a beautiful day of reflection and celebration of Sandy’s life.



Now, You know you gotta tell some jokes she wouldn't want everyone to be so serious. I remember when my mammaws funeral got pretty somber she told a funny story to try to make us laugh. It was dead silent, she was just getting to know us, it was a horrible loss so it was that awkward silence and she just starting telling us about....hitting a deer! Which honestly looking back is funnier now after getting to know her and the deer magnet she was! Dad used to joke it was an annual tradition for her to take one out he swore she closed her eyes and steered right for them lol. The two of them could really make you laugh the way they could banter back and forth. I'm thankful they both had great sense of humors. I am also thankful they had the church and community to help and be involved in, I know they both enjoyed that very much. And I'm thankful for family that surrounded them. I wish the miles would have been fewer for my family and I. Thankfully we have the promise of heaven. God bless you all Love Charissa, Philip and Ariana May

Charissa May - January 07, 2020 at 11:50 PM

RR

“ Sandy rest in peace. Lots of good memories working with Sandy. Always fun.

Rita Rodgers - January 07, 2020 at 03:59 PM

MP

“ Kristine, Jason and Family: It is with a sad heart that I learned of the passing of your Mom. Sandy was a very special person and she will be missed. She was a great friend during nursing school to the kid from Connecticut. Heaven has gained an angel. RIP my friend.
Mary Ruth Pazdziora

Mary Ruth Pazdziora - January 07, 2020 at 01:01 PM

DM

“ I had a lot of fun memories working with Sandy in ICU. She will be missed but glad she is in no discomfort anymore.

Darla McAllister - January 06, 2020 at 09:45 PM

LR

“ I remember Sandy as being fun full of life. She will be missed. God's blessing to all the family. LaVonne & Bob

LaVonne Rosso - January 06, 2020 at 09:29 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sandra L. Schafer-Nagy.



January 06, 2020 at 07:20 PM

AH

“ *May Sandy Rest In Peace, she will be missed.*



Andee Hagan-Stuehm - January 06, 2020 at 04:22 PM

BK

“ *Sandra was a year ahead of me at Rock County High in Bassett. She was always so full of energy and ambition which must have continued in her card playing. Know that many folks are thinking of you and remembering the memories of Sandra.*

Bette Koenig - January 06, 2020 at 12:57 PM

NB

“ *Sandra was one of George's classmates and become a friend of mine .
She will be missed a wonderful sweet lady. Our sympathy and prayers go out to the whole family.
George and Nancy*

Nancy Brock - January 06, 2020 at 12:35 PM

MC

“ *We will miss Sandy; may she Rest In Peace. Prayers for Sandy and her family.*

Marcia Carkoski - January 06, 2020 at 12:27 PM

RB

“ *Sandy was such a great person to be around — loved her humor and smile! My deepest sympathies to you all.*

Rosalyn Bethke - January 06, 2020 at 12:22 PM

GE

“ *Our sympathy and prayers. She was a special lady.*

Gloria Eickman - January 06, 2020 at 11:10 AM

DR

“ *Doug Fischer & Holly Rippe lit a candle in memory of Sandra L. Schafer-Nagy*



Doug Fischer & Holly Rippe - January 06, 2020 at 08:32 AM

MR

“ *Our Deepest Sympathy.....*



Mark & Sarah Reinsch - January 05, 2020 at 11:09 PM

JB

“ *Extending my deepest sympathy to Sandi's family. What a card player she was at Lovewell, she was always ready to play. Watch out Dick, Jeanne and Roger..she will do her best to win. Memories are wonderful, don't forget to talk about your mother in conversations.*



Jenice Bates - January 05, 2020 at 04:40 PM

CR

“ *She was such a beautiful person. Rest easy my friend and prays to the family.* ”



Caleb Rippe - January 05, 2020 at 11:24 AM