



Paulette L. Foss

July 27, 1947 - June 28, 2022

Paulette L. Foss, 74, of Sheffield, Iowa, passed away Tuesday, June 28, 2022, at the Sheffield Care Center.

Visitation will begin at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, July 2, 2022, at First United Methodist Church, 510 Thompson Street, Sheffield. Memorial services will begin at 10:30 a.m., at the same location, following the visitation. Burial will take place at Hillside Cemetery, Sheffield. Counsell Woodley Funeral Home of Sheffield is caring for Paulette and her family.

Paulette L. Markwardt was born on July 27, 1947, in Mason City, to Leonard C. Markwardt and Irene M. Emhoff Markwardt. Paulette attended Sheffield-Chapin High School. She was united in marriage to Dennis Foss on June 11, 1964, at Little Brown Church in Nashua.

Paulette worked as the office manager for Star Gas in Sheffield for many years. She also worked for Sukup Manufacturing and retired from Principal Financial after 13 years and many promotions. In her younger years, Paulette enjoyed being a Cub Scout and Girl scout leader, playing bridge, baking, cooking, and tending to her plants and flowers. She also enjoyed bowling and Saturday night dancing with Dennis.

Paulette was an avid reader and always had a book in hand and seemingly

two or three “on deck”. She was extremely intelligent, but very humble about it. During holidays and family gatherings, when Trivial Pursuit would break out, it never failed that a family battle would ensue to win the privilege to be on her team... you knew if Paulette was on your team, it was a guaranteed win. She was an excellent conversationalist and always left people she spoke with feeling loved and heard.

Family was very important to Paulette. She and Dennis enjoyed summers with their children at Clear Lake vacationing, boating, and water skiing. Always active with her children, she did whatever necessary to ensure their success, providing speech therapy, teaching sign language, pitching batting practice, playing catch, or teaching math problems while bowling. They loved to travel and attended countless school activities and sporting events for their children and grandchildren, no matter the distance.

Paulette will forever be missed by her husband Dennis of Sheffield, son Troy of Sheffield, son Stephen (Kelly) Foss of Des Moines, daughter Denise (Kyle) Winter of Mason City, son David (Jaime) Foss of Elburn, Illinois, grandchildren Gabriel Foss, Grace Maznio, Nile Foss, Jack Maznio, Stella Winter, Mason Foss and Hayden Foss, sister Patricia Smit, sister Cathy (Kenneth) Stevens, along with many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Paulette was preceded in death by her parents Leonard and Irene, brothers William Nicholson, Ronald Nicholson and Carl Markwardt, and son-in-law Kevin Maznio.

Paulette had a love for flowers, birds and nature. Her front patio was filled with a variety of beautiful plants and flowers exhibiting her passion. Friends and family who would like to consider a contribution to Prairie Rivers of Iowa, an organization focused on pollinators, in Paulette’s name, are welcome to visit www.prrcd.org.

Cemetery Details

Hillside Cemetery

Sheffield, IA 50475

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 2. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
510 Thompson Street
Sheffield, IA 50475

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

PH

“ *Paulette and the entire Foss family have been such great and long-time friends of the Heimers. It is a shock to hear of her passing. She will be greatly missed. Sympathies and condolences to the family.*

Peter Heimer - July 04, 2022 at 09:43 PM

LB

“ *Paulette and Dennis (my cousin) have been life-long friends with Roger and I. Paulette's compassion and respect for everyone is an amazing example of true love. We shared memories of our children and grandchildren even though we live several states away from each other. Rest in peace my friend and hugs to each of the family.*
Linda Beier

Linda Beier - July 03, 2022 at 10:58 AM

SK

“ *I worked with Paulette for many years at Principal. We shared many stories of families, work, and fun. She was a always a bright light to co-workers days in the office. I will miss her. One of my favorite people. My sincerest sympathy on your loss.*

Sandy King - July 02, 2022 at 12:31 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Paulette L. Foss.*



June 30, 2022 at 09:10 PM

BT

“ Paulette was a classmate and friend. She was so outgoing and fun t.o be with. I was so sad to hear of her passing. My sincere sympathy to her family. God Bless! Barbara Jacobson Thomas.

Barbara J Thomas - June 30, 2022 at 07:39 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Paulette L. Foss.



June 30, 2022 at 06:13 PM



“ My sympathies to Paulette's family and friends. I worked with her at Principal. and always enjoyed and appreciated her.

Marcia Monson - June 30, 2022 at 03:49 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Paulette L. Foss.



June 30, 2022 at 02:47 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paulette L. Foss.*



June 30, 2022 at 01:03 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paulette L. Foss.*



June 30, 2022 at 12:49 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Paulette L. Foss.*



June 30, 2022 at 09:25 AM



“ *Oh Paulette. I just always took for granted you would always be here. Such a sweet soul. I can't imagine your families sorrow 🥺*

Diana Blood - June 29, 2022 at 05:44 PM



“ *Paulette is a mom, wife and friend I have admired for years! RIP*

Patty Binger - June 28, 2022 at 01:22 PM