



## Beth Adele Melonuk

October 12, 1945 - August 3, 2024

A celebration of life for BETH (HONE) MELONUK, 78, will be held 10am Friday September 13, 2024, at the All Saints Episcopal Church with Reverend Kenli Barling officiating. Interment will be held in the Fort Laramie Cemetery. Beth (Hone) Melonuk of Fort Laramie, Wyoming, died at her home on August 3, 2024, with her husband at her side and cremation has taken place. In lieu of flowers memorials can be made to Parkinson's Foundation or the St. Joseph's Indian School in Chamberlain, South Dakota in Beth's name. Colyer Funeral Home assisted the family with the cremation arrangements.

She was born on October 12, 1945, in Columbus, Ohio. Her parents, Ralph and Harriet Hone, moved frequently when she was a child but settled permanently in Redlands, California, where she entered the sixth grade. She graduated from Redlands High School in 1963 and earned her B.A. degree from the university of Redlands in 1968. She taught French at the high school level in various locations. While teaching in Calexico, California, she met and married her husband, Robert Melonuk, in 1976. She earned her M. A. degree in French from the University of California at Santa Barbara in 1987. She guided tours for high school French students to France during summer vacations. She was a Francophile and especially enjoyed French art and culture. The Melonuk's lived and worked in different areas of Southern California and Wyoming during their 48 years of marriage. They retired to Fort Laramie in 2005. Beth enjoyed bird watching and feeding birds in her yard. She also liked to read, garden, and visit art museums.

She is survived by her beloved husband and best friend, Robert; her two sisters, Hannah Hone Leckman (James) of Hamden, CT. and Martha Hone-Warren (Michael) of Redlands, CA and her brother, Philip Hone (Dawn), of Redlands, CA. Also surviving her are sisters-in-law Evelyn Cecil of Huntley, WY and Carol Cooper (Craig) of Riverton, WY and 10 nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents. Her six-word summary of life: "My hope is in the Lord"

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

SEP **13**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

All Saints Episcopal Church  
100 E 26th Ave  
Torrington, WY 82240

# Tribute Wall

JG

“ *Au revoir, madame, et merci.*

JG - March 30 at 11:06 PM

DH

“ *Forever in my heart as "Madame"...I was a high school student of hers in Big Bear in the early 90's, where she helped inspire me to continue on in my studies in French, leaving our small town for the city of light, Paris, after graduation. I still have many fond memories of her classes, and just the other week I was helping my 14-year-old son with his French homework, banging on the door as I chanted "C'est la porte!" the way she did in my freshman class. Rest in peace!*

Dan Hickman - December 04, 2025 at 03:35 PM

OR

“ *Dear Beth, I will forever miss you.*

Oscar Rodriguez - May 20, 2025 at 01:49 PM

DP

“ *So sorry to read of Beth's passing. She was an active member of the SWAA art group for awhile and was so pleasant to work with. Our deepest sympathy to Robert and family from the Southeastern Wyoming Art Association. Donna Peterson, Past President*

Donna Paisley Peterson - August 20, 2024 at 04:57 PM

DJ

“ Robert and family, our heartfelt condolences and prayers for you as you celebrate Beth’s amazing life. She was a wonderful woman. May her memory be a blessing. ❤️

Donna and Sandy Jankewicz - August 15, 2024 at 10:58 AM

KL

“ Kelly Loveland lit a candle in memory of Beth Adele Melonuk



Kelly Loveland - August 12, 2024 at 09:56 PM

SG

“ Dear Robert, Family and Friends. My Prayers and Thoughts are with you 🙏 all. Job well done, Beth, rest easy and will see you some day. God Blessings.



sandy gregg - August 12, 2024 at 04:40 PM