



Melanie Lynn Van Dorin

December 30, 1949 - September 5, 2021

Melanie Lynn Van Dorin, 71, died September 5th, 2021 at Community Hospital in Torrington, Wyoming. Services will be held on October 7th, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Greeley, Colorado. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends may send condolences to the family at www.colyerfuneralhome.com.

Melanie was born on December 30, 1949 to Donald and Mary Kelly in Rhinelander, Wisconsin. At a very young age her family moved to Greeley, Colorado. She graduated from Greeley Central High School then went on to the University of Northern Colorado where she was an art major. She met George Van Dorin in 1972 and shortly after they were married on February 2nd, 1973.

Melanie worked for the U.S. Postal Service for 36 years as a rural mail carrier in Colorado. She loved horses and going to horse shows. She could often be found in her garden or traveling to the mountains with family to fish. Family was the most important thing in her life and she loved them fiercely.

Melanie is survived by her husband George Van Dorin of Torrington, Wyoming; daughter, Amy Palmer of Ault, Colorado; son, David (Megan) Van Dorin of Johnstown, Colorado; sister, Deborah Kelly of Nunn, Colorado; sister, Rebecca Kelly-Watson of Greeley, CO; granddaughter, Hannah (Thomas) Bozeman of Torrington, Wyoming; granddaughters, Audrey, Carley and Torrey Van Dorin and grandson, Fletcher Van Dorin all of Johnstown, Colorado and great granddaughter, Haisley Bozeman. She was preceded in death by both

of her parents.

Previous Events

Memorial services

OCT 7. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (MT)

Trinity Lutheran Church
3000 35th Avenue
Greeley, CO 80634

Tribute Wall



“ *Rainbow Reflections Basket was purchased for the family of Melanie Lynn Van Dorin.*



October 05, 2021 at 12:34 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Melanie Lynn Van Dorin.*



October 02, 2021 at 06:44 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Talking to Mel at post office and our quick visits, she was such a wonderful person. Any loss is difficult but their memories are always comforting.*

*Our very best to your family
Richard and Jeannie Urano*

Richard Urano - September 25, 2021 at 09:56 AM

JH

“ So sorry to hear of Mel’s passing. I spent a lot of time during my childhood over at the Van Dorin household. She was always so kind and was a wiz at trivial pursuit. I enjoyed watching many Super Bowls there and enjoying many snacks she made. Thoughts and prayers go out to you all.

Joey and Emily Haythorn

joey haythorn - September 20, 2021 at 06:04 PM

AC

“ Sending my heartfelt sympathy and prayers to the VanDorin and Kelly families. May you be blessed with many happy memories in the difficult days ahead.

Ann Marie(Cogburn) Giesick

Ann Marie Cogburn-Giesick - September 20, 2021 at 01:22 PM

BA

“ My heartfelt sympathy to all the family. She was a kind, loving friend. I always enjoyed visiting because she had a wry sense of humor and a great infectious laugh. Mel loved all her family dearly and she will be missed by everyone who knew her.. My prayers are with you.

Barbara Anderson and Ami.

Barbara Anderson and Ami - September 17, 2021 at 05:07 PM

JH

“ *I'm so...so sorry to read about Mel. She was always so sweet & kind to me whenever I saw her over the years. She was an amazing friend to Deanna. Best mail carrier! You are all in my thoughts & prayers* ❤️

Janet Haythorn - September 16, 2021 at 10:50 AM