

Debra Pedersen

January 15, 1952 ~ July 19, 2025

Debra Johnson Pedersen (Debbie) passed away on July 19, 2025, surrounded by her family. She was born in Havre, Montana on January 15, 1952, the first of five children of Clare Anthony Johnson and Elizabeth (Betty) Stettler Johnson. Siblings are Garth Johnson, Ernest (Ernie) Johnson, Anita (Nita) McKay and Patty Hammel, all surviving Debbie.

Debbie grew up in Chinook, Montana, attending Chinook High School and later Utah State University. In 1973, Debbie married Ivan Ron Pedersen from Logan, Utah whom she met at USU. Debbie and Ron have two sons, Jeff and Greg, and twelve grandchildren, all surviving Debbie and Ron (passed away May 2, 2021). Debbie and Ron spent their early years together raising their family in Logan and Sandy, Utah before moving to Greenlawn, New York in 1986. They returned to Sandy in 1991 after 5 adventurous years on the east coast. Spending time with her family has always been Debbie’s priority and source of greatest happiness, from countless family trips to Disney, to chasing her grandkids around at soccer games, cross country and track races, band and orchestra concerts and countless other activities and events. She frequently hosted her grandkids to watch movies, listen to music, cook, do yardwork or just chat and enjoy the views with Debbie from her mountainside home. She was the best mother, grandmother, wife and friend anyone could ask for, always supporting her family in whatever crazy endeavors they could dream up, and genuinely caring about what was going on in the lives of her family and friends.

Debbie was active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, holding various callings of service and teaching, including Relief Society presidencies, early morning seminary teacher and temple ordinance worker.

Remembrance services will include:

Viewing on Monday, August 4th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Larkin Sunset Gardens (1950 E 10600 South, Sandy, UT 84092)

Funeral service on Tuesday, August 5th at 11:00 am (viewing at 10:00 am) at the Church of Jesus Chris of Latter-day Saints (9880 S 3100 East, Sandy, UT 84092) with a graveside service immediately following at Larkin Sunset Gardens.

All are welcome to attend.

To view a recording the service, please click on the blue tab above that says "Watch Service".