



Deborah Jean Hesse

December 25, 1953 - December 20, 2014

Deborah Jean (Anderson) Hesse was born on December 25th, 1953 in Huron, South Dakota to Glen and Marilyn Anderson. She grew up on a farm and learned to drive a tractor by age 9. While in Huron she attended grade school and graduated from Huron High School in 1972. Deborah received her Bachelor's Degree in Education from Huron College in 1976 and her Master's Degree from Kansas State University in 2013.

Deborah married Richard Hesse on May 11, 1974 at the Methodist Church in Huron, South Dakota and they were blessed with four children: Chris, Josh, Jacque and Andrea. Debby and Dick have lived many places but raised their family mostly in Omaha.

Debby has been a lifelong educator, most recently a reading specialist for children in Junction City, Kansas. Her life has always revolved around her family and her passion for helping others. Debby was loving, daring, eloquent, classy and selfless. She loved her children and treasured her grandchildren, always going out of her way to spend time with them.

Debby passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, December 20, 2014 at her home in Valley, Nebraska at the age of 60 years. She was preceded in death by her father Glen, sister Paula and brother Jon. Debby is survived by her high school sweetheart and devoted husband, Richard. Their beloved children, Chris (and Sheela Sinharoy) of Atlanta, GA, Josh (and Kasey) of Omaha, Jacque (and Brad Bailey) of Omaha and Andrea (and Troy Saunders) of Omaha; 11 grandchildren: Kaya and Kiran Hesse, Hannah, Ben, Ellie, Cole,

Will and Anderson Bailey, Sam, Kate and Claire Saunders, mother Marilyn Anderson; sisters Tamara Pickering of Scottsdale, AZ, Sandy Sammons of Sioux Falls, SD and Lisa Fletcher of Henrico, VA; beloved nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Deborah Jean Hesse*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Dear Family of Deborah, We were dearest of friends with Glen & Marilyn and then baby Debbie especially at the time we all lived in Huron & then Watertown, S.D. Convey my sympathy to Marilyn, hoping she remembers me.
My prayers are with you,
Dorothy Volesky
Bartlesville, OK*

Dorothy (Kutzler) Volesky - January 07, 2015 at 09:59 PM



“ *Just learned of Debbie's passing. We are very sorry for your loss. We were neighbors of her family farm near Huron, SD. Our sincere sympathy to all. Remembering the good times will help to ease the loss of this wonderful, beautiful woman.*

Darlene and Buzz Kutzler - January 07, 2015 at 10:12 AM



“ *Dick,*

As I write this on Christmas, I think of the emptiness that you must feel today. I hope you are surrounded by family, but know you also have friends who are thinking of you, and praying for comfort for you and your family.

Jim Niewold - December 25, 2014 at 01:48 PM

DB

“ Please accept my condolences and know that your family is in my prayers.

David Baum - December 24, 2014 at 03:20 PM

CF

“ We are so very sorry for your loss Dick. Deb was definitely a very loving and classy lady. I will always remember her. Our hearts and home are always open for you and your family. Charlie and Janet

Charlie Francisco - December 24, 2014 at 11:29 AM

JD

“ Dick and family - I am very sorry about your family loss. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Joel DeRouchey - December 23, 2014 at 11:24 PM

KW

“ Dick and Family,
Newport Laboratories express our deepest sympathy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May you feel God's presence and peace through this most difficult time.

Keith Wilson - December 23, 2014 at 03:55 PM

CA

“ *To the Deb Hesse Family,*

I am so sorry to hear about your mother and wife. I am thinking and praying for you. Hope you find comfort in the memories and that time will bring you peace in your hearts.

*With Sincere Sympathy,
Connie Albers*

Connie Albers - December 23, 2014 at 02:08 PM

BS

“ *Dear Dick,*

I'm so sorry to hear about your wife. You have so many friends and colleagues that are thinking of you and your family during this difficult time.

Bev Schmitt

Bev Schmitt - December 23, 2014 at 01:47 PM

KD

“ *Dick and family, All of us at the Washington Veterinary Clinic were both shocked and saddened by your loss. We are all thinking of you at this very difficult time. Our prayers are with you and your family.*
Kenney Johnson

Kenney Johnson, DVM - December 23, 2014 at 12:32 PM

MC

“ Dear Hesse family,
I feel very fortunate and blessed to have met Debby when I started teaching at the Gingerbread House 23 years ago. She always had a beautiful smile on her face. I admired her gentle manner and the loving relationship that she had with her students. She shared her kind spirit with everyone she met. I loved her laugh. I am so sorry that she was taken from you at such a young age. Your family is in my prayers.
God bless you,
Margie Crowe

Margie Crowe - December 23, 2014 at 12:31 PM

LG

“ Dick and family - I am so incredibly sorry for your loss. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Lori Garwick - December 23, 2014 at 10:46 AM

BC

“ So sorry for the loss of your mom. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.
Barb Cotten

Barb Cotten - December 23, 2014 at 10:20 AM

MT

“ Dick and family,

We are so sorry for your loss. Dick, we know how much you adored Debby. Our prayers are with you and your family today.

Mike and Lisa Tokach

Mike Tokach - December 23, 2014 at 09:47 AM

JK

“ *Dick and family:*

I was so sorry to read of Debbie's passing. The large "swine family" to which we belong shares the grief you are enduring. Take heart in knowing that many are with you in spirit as you experience your loss.

John Korslund - December 23, 2014 at 08:39 AM

WM

“ *Dear Dick and family,*

Our hearts grieve heavily for you and your loss of a devoting wife, giving mother, and loving grandmother. Words can not express our sadness in losing such a wonderful friend. May God watch over you as you praise Debby's amazing earthly life and engrave the precious memories into your hearts and souls.

Wanda and Barry Mortimeyer - December 23, 2014 at 12:17 AM

JK

“ *Dick and family, I was sadden to hear about your loss. My prayers and thoughts will be with you*

Judy Myers Kuhnhoff - December 22, 2014 at 11:08 PM

ME

“ *Dick and Family,*

Our hearts go out to all of YOU! Deb was always running from game to game with a huge smile on her face and love in her heart for all of you. The last time I visited with her was at the granddaughters dance recital. She touched so many of us with her quite positive attitude of life! Hugs to all of you. Prayers. Mike and Rita Eck

Mike and Rita Eck - December 22, 2014 at 10:51 PM

EN

“ Dick and family, we are shocked and saddened by the news of Deb's death. We can't imagine what a difficult time this must be for all of you. Please accept our prayers and hope you find comfort from the many family and friends around you. Eric and Jan

Eric and Jan Neumann - December 22, 2014 at 09:12 PM

KG

“ Our thoughts are with you and your family at this difficult time. Kelly & Marcia Graff

Kelly&Marcia Graff - December 22, 2014 at 08:16 PM

PR

“ Dear Dick and Family,
You have my deepest sympathy at Debby's untimely passing. My thoughts are with you at this most trying time.

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VF

“ Debby changed all of our lives for the better. She was an amazing and caring person that made this world a better place. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Just remember that when a bell rings an angel gets its wings. Bells are ringing for Debby.

Van Cleave and Bushey Families - December 22, 2014 at 04:09 PM

CB

“ My heart is saddened by this tragic loss. She always thought of others and thanking them for what they do. My prayers are with her family.

Crystal B - December 22, 2014 at 04:01 PM

LF

“ Dear Dick and family, I am so sorry to hear of Deb's passing. May the light of her life be a beacon to keep you and your family going during this time. God bless and keep you. You are in our prayers.

Linda Fawcett - December 22, 2014 at 12:49 PM

TA

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to your entire family. Debby was a wonderful neighbor to my parents, kind and loving to my family. I will cherish the happy memories of watching our children grow up together. Always there to give a helping hand to everyone. Will be missed by all.*

Love, Teri

Teri Adams - December 22, 2014 at 12:46 PM

MC

“ *Dear Dick and Family,*

I am shocked and saddened by Deborah's untimely death. You have my deepest sympathy!

Sincerely,

Mary Lou Chapek-Hogg

Mary Lou Chapek-Hogg - December 22, 2014 at 12:40 PM

VC

“ *Dick, and Family,*

Thoughts and prayers are with you. No words are available that really makes things better at times like this. But please know that I am thinking of you, and wish there was something I could say.

Vic

VL Cooper - December 22, 2014 at 11:40 AM

HP

“ Dick, Jacque & Family-

I was so sad to hear of the loss of Deb. What a wonderful person she was. My childhood memories are filled with birthday parties and the fun activities she always did. I remember Jacque & Josh's parties always had the fun pinatas and musical chairs - I'm sure Deb was at the center of that. I also recall she came with you, Jacque, to both of my parents' funerals and her presence was so special to me. Please know that though I am not able to make it back to NE, she and the entire Hesse family are weighing heavy on my mind this week, as you celebrate her life and memories.

Love, Heidi (Haynes) Pieroni & Family

Heidi Pieroni - December 22, 2014 at 11:27 AM

WR

“ Dick,

I am so very very sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you and your family, and I will continue to pray for your comfort.
Walter

Walter Renberg - December 22, 2014 at 10:44 AM

MC

“ Dick and children,

Our sincere condolences. We will always remember Deb with a smile on her face running from game to game, supporting her children 110%. She was such a kind person...a peacemaker, always rising above the gossip around her. She was taken too soon and too suddenly. My own sweet, lovely mother passed away in April. I prayed to her to watch for Deb and welcome her to The Lord's side in Heaven. Deb's spirit and memory will always live on.
Marilyn and John Cotten

Marilyn Cotten - December 22, 2014 at 10:21 AM

DM

“ *Debby gave me her wonderful, unconditional, gift of friendship. She was an inspiration as a fellow Christian, mother, and colleague. I will miss our talks about God, life and family. By the grace of God, my life was touched and made better by hers. There is no doubt in my mind that her wonderful and beautiful spirit will live on in the family she so loved and praised. Prayers and blessings to your family.*

Deb Major.

Debra Major - December 22, 2014 at 09:48 AM

JA

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Death can be so overwhelming. The Bible provides much comfort during difficult times. We are promised in the Bible book of 1 Corinthians 15:26 that, soon now, "death will be brought to nothing", also an Earth without wickedness (Psalms 37:10,11). Then we have the prospect of being reunited with our loved one right here on Earth (John 5:28,29). I hope this brings you comfort and hope.*

Sincerely, Jan

Jan - December 22, 2014 at 08:48 AM

GD

“ *Dear Dick and children-
Our deepest sympathy. We were shocked when we received the news. I know there are few words that can comfort you at this time, but the Lord can. We pray God will come to you in a very special way and comfort you in the coming days and months.*

Galen and Deb - December 22, 2014 at 08:34 AM

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PJ

“ We are so very sorry for your loss, prayers and love to you all.

Pat and JoAnn - December 21, 2014 at 10:31 PM

SB

“ No words can express my deepest sympathy for Deby's family. She was a dear friend and co worker. She will be greatly missed by everyone.

Shelley Buchanan - December 21, 2014 at 06:08 PM

JL

“ I was so saddened to hear of Debby's passing. I have had the privilege to get to know her as an academic coach in Junction City. She always had a smile on her face, and loved to share stories of her family with us! She so loved and cherished all of her children and grandchildren. I count myself lucky to have known her. Prayers for peace for all of you. She will be missed by many.

Jenna Langvardt - December 21, 2014 at 05:24 PM

MR

“ Please accept my sincerest sympathy for the loss of your beloved wife and mother. Words cannot express how devastated I am at the loss of my dear friend and colleague -- we worked together as instructional coaches. Please know that Debby was loved by all and will be dearly missed by all those whose lives she touched. Thoughts and prayers go out to all of you -- may all those wonderful memories help you at this most difficult time. Love to all -- Marilyn Reynoldson, Junction City, KS

Marilyn Reynoldson - December 21, 2014 at 04:54 PM

JK

“ Josh. No comforting way to express my sympathy to you on the loss of your mother. Just know that we are all praying for you and will be there for you.

John Kraemer - December 21, 2014 at 04:28 PM