



Maureen Susan Brush

October 29, 1948 - January 15, 2026

Maureen Susan Brush (née Moody), age 77, passed away peacefully on January 15th, 2026, in Omaha, Nebraska. Maureen was born on October 29, 1948, in Manson, Iowa, to Harold and Mary Moody. She is preceded in death by her siblings, Mike Moody and Mary Ann Viken.

Maureen was the beloved wife of George Brush, whom she married on December 18, 1978.

Together they built a life grounded in faith, love, and devotion to family. She was a proud and

loving mother to Ben Brush of Omaha, Nebraska, and Kelsey Lahaie (Richard) of Elkhorn,

Nebraska. Her greatest joy was being “Grandma” to her cherished grandchildren, Caleb Brush,

George Lahaie, and Molly Lahaie. Maureen is also survived by her beloved dog, Griffey, a loving

friend who was never far from her side. She is remembered by extended family and many dear

friends whose lives were forever changed by knowing her.

Maureen earned her Bachelor’s degree in Education and a Master’s degree in Speech

Pathology from the University of Nebraska Omaha. She devoted her

professional life to serving children as an Elementary Speech Pathologist with Omaha Public Schools and Millard Public Schools, where her compassion, patience, and belief in every child's potential made a lasting impact on countless students and families.

Kind, gracious, resilient, and eternally optimistic, Maureen lived her life rooted in her Christian faith. She believed deeply in treating everyone with kindness and empathy, and she had a rare gift for making people feel safe, welcomed, and at home in her presence. She had a love for all animals, including many family pets, which was a reflection of her compassionate heart. Her "fighter's spirit," carried with faith, love, and gentleness, will be what many remember most.

Maureen loved helping others and giving of herself freely. She was especially proud of her children and grandchildren, celebrating their lives with unwavering encouragement and joy. She was active in her church community and treasured the friendships she shared, including her beloved Bunko Babes who brought her laughter and connection.

Maureen's legacy is one of love, safety, and quiet strength. She leaves behind a lasting memory of warmth and grace that will continue to live on through all who knew her. A funeral service will be held at Elkhorn United Methodist Church at 10am, with a luncheon directly following.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Nebraska Humane Society or the

International Rett Syndrome Foundation. Maureen firmly believed that no dog should ever be

without a home, and no obstacle should ever be without its miracle.

“Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure.”

Cemetery Details

Prospect Hill Cemetery of Elkhorn

21901 W. Maple Road
Omaha, NE 68022

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Elkhorn Hills United Methodist Church
20227 Veterans Drive
Elkhorn, NE 68022

Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Reichmuth Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Maureen Susan Brush*



Reichmuth Funeral Home - January 28 at 12:24 PM

RL

“ *Ron and Linda Humphrey and Callie and Le purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Maureen Susan Brush.*



Ron and Linda Humphrey and Callie and Le - January 29 at 07:26 PM

RL

“ *Ron and Linda Humphrey and Callie and Le planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maureen Susan Brush.*

Ron and Linda Humphrey and Callie and Le - January 29 at 07:26 PM

CI

“ *Such wonderful memories I have of a childhood friend! Although our lives sent us to different parts of the country, we stayed in touch the old-fashioned way via letters. Maureen (Molly to me) never missed sending a birthday or Christmas card and her letters always made me laugh out loud.*

May all of you find comfort in knowing that you were a special part of Maureen's well-lived life as a wife, mother and grandmother.

Colleen Clawson Isdale

Colleen Clawson Isdale - January 29 at 08:16 AM

AA

“ Mrs. Brush was my SLP for many years at Willowdale. As a young girl with a severe speech disorder, we spent a significant amount of time together over the years. When others shied away during conversations because they couldn't understand me, she embraced me and encouraged me to keep trying. It was never easy. But having someone who built a strong foundation with me, focusing on encouragement, compassion, and overall true caring for my well-being, made things easier.

She truly dedicated and invested years of hard work towards me and my growth. I can not even put into words how much she positively impacted my overall confidence and ability to share all my thoughts and opinions with the world that had previously been dismissed by others.

She was such a significant light in my formative years that when it came time for me to choose a career, I became a speech-language pathologist to help others the way she helped me. Her warmth and dedication have been what I have been attempting to imitate in my own practice. She has truly left a lasting mark on me that has transcended speech therapy but has shaped me as an individual.

Her presence will continue to live on with me and will continue to impact young kids in Nebraska who need the help and support from an SLP as inspired by her.

Adria Allen - January 26 at 09:04 PM

LS

“ Love, The Stemples purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Maureen Susan Brush.



Love, The Stemples - January 23 at 11:39 AM

KW

“ *Maureen was across the hall from me at Willowdale. We had many opportunities to share short stories about various topics including antics of Bob the dog. She was always good for a joke or an origami star project with the kids. I was especially touched when Maureen asked her daughter to come to my mom’s memorial service in Phoenix because she couldn’t make the trip her self. Maureen was very thoughtful and she has make a mark in my heart. I loved her spirit and I know may people will be missing her. Condolences to her family.*

Kathy Wischow - January 18 at 10:48 PM

JH

“ *6 files added to the album Memories from 2025*



Jalene Miller Hornbuckle - January 18 at 07:47 PM

SK

“ *Maureen was a gifted educator who gave her all for kids - a true child advocate, who also deeply loved her own kids, Kelsey and Ben, along with her grandchildren. Heaven gained a good one and we will all miss her deeply.*

Susan Kelley - January 16 at 09:23 PM



“ *Kelsey and Ben - your mom was the most generous, kind person. Always ready to listen or add humor to any situation. Family was the most important thing for her. She brought light and laughter to the world. I know she and George are holding hands in heaven now. Prayers for your family.*

Lissa Clark - January 16 at 07:43 PM

BC

“ *Saying goodbye to the last member of a family I've known for almost 75 years is a really tough thing. The Moody family was my second family as I was growing up and I have so many memories to cherish. To Ben, Kelsey, and especially those three grandchildren she loved so much, we send all our thoughts, prayers and love. May wonderful memories help you through these sad times.*
Barb (Zehr) and Ray Courter

Barbara Courter - January 16 at 07:35 PM

LD

“ *Ben and Kelsey. Thinking of you both at this very hard time. I remember when your family first moved into Roger's Ridge and what fun we all had. You kids played for hours in the neighborhood and the adults enjoyed potlucks and card games. Cherish your memories. May God surround and sustain you with his love at this time.*

Luann Dritley - January 16 at 04:38 PM