



Rebecca Sue "Becky" Freelend

July 19, 1956 - December 2, 2024

Rebecca Sue "Becky" Freelend, 68, of Marquette, Nebraska died Monday, December 2, 2024, at the Buffet Cancer Center in Omaha. Memorial services will be Saturday, April 26, 2025 at 10 a.m. at the Heartland Evangelical Free Church in Central City with J.J. Springer officiating. Visitation will be Friday, April 25, 2025 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the church. Burial of ashes will be in the Central City Cemetery following the Memorial Service. The family also requests for everyone to wear Husker Red. The family suggests donations in her honor to Hope Lodge Omaha either at cancer.org/HopeLodgeOmahaDonate or by mailing checks payable to the American Cancer Society to Hope Lodge Omaha, 8030 Farnam Drive, Omaha, NE, 68114-4441. Condolences can be sent to the family at www.soltwagnerfuneral.com.

Becky was born on July 19, 1956, to Richard and MaryAnne (Mullen) Roenfeldt in Grand Island, Nebraska. She grew up in Grand Island and graduated from Grand Island Senior High in 1974. She spent two years at Radford University in Virginia before attending Kearney State College (UNK), where she earned her bachelor's of science degree in business administration in 1980. Becky married Nick Freelend on September 7, 1996, at their home at Willow Bend Lake near Marquette. She worked at Park Place Care and Rehabilitation Center in Grand Island as Activities Director, and later at the Central City Housing Authority until her retirement on September 6, 2024. She was a member of Heartland E-Free Church in Central City, held several

offices including President of Drove 147 of BPO Does in Grand Island, American Legion Auxiliary in Palmer, and the American Therapeutic Recreation Association. She actively participated in and raised funds for ACS Relay for Life. Becky was also a Nebraska State Fair volunteer for many years since it moved to Grand Island. She was an avid Husker football and volleyball fan, enjoyed crafts and repurposing found treasures from Nebraska Junk Jaunt, racquetball, softball, playing cards and spending time with family. Becky is survived by her husband Nick of Marquette; her children Paul Freelend of Hong Kong, Michael Freelend of Virginia, and Melissa Freelend of Wisconsin; her mother MaryAnne Kaspar of Grand Island; her brothers Rick (Marilyn) of Florida; Roger (Ellen) Roenfeldt of Florida, and Randy (Mary McDonald) Roenfeldt of Nebraska; her brothers-in-law Jeff (Leonora) Freelend of Idaho and Jim Freelend of California; her sister-in-law Nancy (Miles) McGinnis of Nebraska; and cherished nieces, nephews, family and friends. Becky was preceded in death by her father Richard Roenfeldt; stepfather Tom Kaspar; and in-laws Bob and Willa Freelend.

Cemetery Details

Central City Cemetery

Central City, NE 68826

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **25**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Heartland Evangelical Free Church
3208 17th Ave
Central City, NE 68826
(308) 946-2595

Memorial Service

APR **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Heartland Evangelical Free Church
Central City, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Rebecca Sue "Becky" Freelend.*



April 25, 2025 at 03:21 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Rebecca Sue "Becky" Freelend.*



March 31, 2025 at 03:17 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rebecca Sue "Becky" Freelend.*

March 31, 2025 at 03:17 PM



“ *Becky will always be remembered by me for the kindness, knowledge, and really cool woman she was. She inspired me to start delivering meals for the Senior center, looking for all the best in life with a positive attitude and the love of her family. What a wonderful human being. She looked at life with such a gift to offer others. My prayers are with your family.*

Jacquie Hahn - December 09, 2024 at 05:51 PM

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“ Thoughts and prayers. Hold tight to the memories !

Sandy Burris - December 05, 2024 at 07:47 PM

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“ I am just so saddened that Becky has passed on. I know she is with Jesus and now with out pain and suffering. She had such wonderful faith. Becky was a true genuine friend. Humble, kind and giving. You were her rock Nick and were her strength throughout her cancer battle. You and the family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Linda Erickson - December 05, 2024 at 06:54 PM