



## Yolanda Kay Rathman

July 28, 1939 - October 22, 2021

Yolanda K. Rathman, 82, of Grand Island, died on Friday, October 22, 2021 at Tiffany Square in Grand Island. Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, October 29, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral in Grand Island with Father Joseph Broudou officiating. Visitation will be on Thursday, October 28th from 5-7 p.m. at Apfel Funeral Home in Grand Island. Interment will be held at Westlawn Cemetery in Grand Island. Solt-Wagner Funeral Home in Central City will be assisting the family.

In lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to the Merrick County Museum or St. Mary's Cathedral. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.soltwagnerfuneral.com](http://www.soltwagnerfuneral.com).

Yolanda Kay was born on July 28, 1939 to Hans and Lola (Hartman) Husman in Grand Island. She grew up in the Chapman area, and graduated from Chapman High School in 1957. On January 7, 1961 she was united in marriage to Tom W. Rathman at Blessed Sacrament Church in Grand Island. The couple made their home in Grand Island. Yolanda worked as a sales clerk at Fashion City in Grand Island. She was also a claims representative at Tri-City Claims, and as a manager and teller for Fonner Park. She enjoyed puzzles, working at Fonner Park, and loved cardinals. She was also an avid Husker sports fan, especially volleyball and football. Her greatest love was getting to spend time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Yolanda was a member of St. Mary's Cathedral in Grand Island.

Those left to cherish her memory are her husband; Tom of Grand Island, her children; Debra Webster of Lincoln, Tom (Holly) Rathman of Redwood Shores, CA, Jodi (Kevin) Gaden of Chatham, IL, and Steve (Ann) Rathman of Plattsmouth, her sister; Sharon Ryba of Lincoln, her grandchildren; Nicole (Chris) Balestrieri, Ali (Dante) Lanza, Samantha Rathman, Tyler Webster, Alex Webster, Kayla Gaden, Clark Gaden, Kali Gaden, Matthew Rathman, Katie Rathman, and Andrew Rathman, and 2 great-grandchildren- Olivia Gaden and Dean Rathman Lanza.

She was preceded in death by her father; Hans Husman, her mother; Lola McLean, her step-father; Glen McLean, her bother; Larry Husman, sister-in-law; JoAnn Husman, brothers-in-law- Martin Ryba, Donald Rathman, and Michael Rathman; In laws- Walt (Norma) Rathman

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **28.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Apfel Funeral Home  
1123 W 2nd Street  
Grand Island, NE 68801

## Rosary

OCT **28.** 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Apfel Funeral Home  
1123 W 2nd Street  
Grand Island, NE 68801

## Funeral Service

OCT **29.** 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Cathedral  
Grand Island, NE

## Burial

OCT **29.** 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Westlawn Cemetery  
Grand Island, NE

# Tribute Wall

KW

“ So sad to hear of the passing of Lonnie.. she will always be Lonnie to us. Worked with her so many years. She was not just a co-worker but also a good friend. We had alot of fun at Fonner Park. SHE WAS OH SO PROUD OF HER CHILDREN and GRANDCHILDREN. WE had tailgate parties during work on game days that we had to work at Fonner Park, I will never eat a peach cobbler again with out thinking of Lonnie. She made the best peach cobbler I have ever eaten. There was never any left over. The salsa was such a big hit too. And daiquiri'S she would make us on the last day of live meet. We have missed her at work. We didn't just work we had fun at it. She Will always be in our hearts. Her family is in our thoughts and prayers! Karen Weekley

Karen weekley - October 28, 2021 at 06:46 PM

CS

“ College of Business Faculty and Staff purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Yolanda Kay Rathman.



College of Business Faculty and Staff - October 28, 2021 at 06:16 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Yolanda Kay Rathman.



October 28, 2021 at 03:25 PM

JC

“ Dear Tom, Sorry to hear about Yolanda, prayers and thoughts for your family for the God of peace to minister. Alot of good memories.  
John and Janice Camp

john I camp - October 28, 2021 at 10:23 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Yolanda Kay Rathman.



October 28, 2021 at 09:41 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Yolanda Kay Rathman.



October 28, 2021 at 09:38 AM

SH

“ Tom, Lance and I are so sorry to hear of Lani's passing. Please know that are thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time.

Scherry Hermansen - October 27, 2021 at 12:22 PM

TC

“ Sorry to hear of this, my sympathies to Tom and Family  
Tom Cornwell

Thomas G Cornwell - October 27, 2021 at 11:01 AM



“ *Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Yolanda Kay Rathman.*



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October 26, 2021 at 05:18 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Yolanda Kay Rathman.*



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October 26, 2021 at 05:15 PM



“ *Rathman Family - in our thoughts and prayers - Sandy Denman Terryberry Pinehurst NC (an old District 6 friend)*  
*She is Gone by David Harkins--You can shed tears that she is gone, or you can smile because she has lived. You can close your eyes and pray that she'll come back, or you can open your eyes and see all she's left. Your heart can be empty because you can't see her, or you can be full of the love you shared. You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday. You can remember her and only that she's gone, or you can cherish her memory and let it live on. You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back, or you can do what she'd want: Smile, Open your Eyes, Love and Go On.*

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**Sandy Denman Terryberry** - October 26, 2021 at 12:20 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Yolanda Kay Rathman.*



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October 26, 2021 at 09:39 AM



“ *We met at work (Fonner Park) , became good friends! Had so much fun then! She could be stubborn but at the end of the day she would give in...(kinda)... She was one of a kind, and I will miss her ❤️ For the family my heart goes out to you ! You're in my thoughts and prayers 🙏🙏*

*Ronda Manka*

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**Ronda** - October 25, 2021 at 10:42 PM



“ *Oh sooooo many good times. Happy memories! Was a fun friend! So sorry she had to suffer. Did not deserve it. Much love to her family. Haven't seen the kids for years but always those guy of them for when they were smell!pur sympathy to all of you!*

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**Jsnet sBoulton** - October 25, 2021 at 03:18 PM