

# IN LOVING MEMORY LEANNE M. ABELMANN

BORN TO JAMES & IRIS MELBERG  
OCTOBER 6, 1948  
POWERS LAKE, NORTH DAKOTA

RETURNED TO HER HEAVENLY FATHER  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2018  
RURAL ALEXANDER, NORTH DAKOTA

**HER FUNERAL SERVICES**  
2:00 PM, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2018  
OUR REDEEMER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
WILLISTON, NORTH DAKOTA

**OFFICIATING**  
PASTOR STEVE LUNDBLOM

**MUSIC**  
LARRY RIGGS ~ VOCALIST  
CELESTE LUNDBLOM ~ ACCOMPANIST

**PALLBEARERS**  
WES PETERSON                      BRIAN LYMAN  
COREY GETZLAFF                WES LINDVIG  
RAY POWELL                      CURT REMSBERG

**HONORARY PALLBEARERS**  
ALL OF LEANNE'S FAMILY & FRIENDS

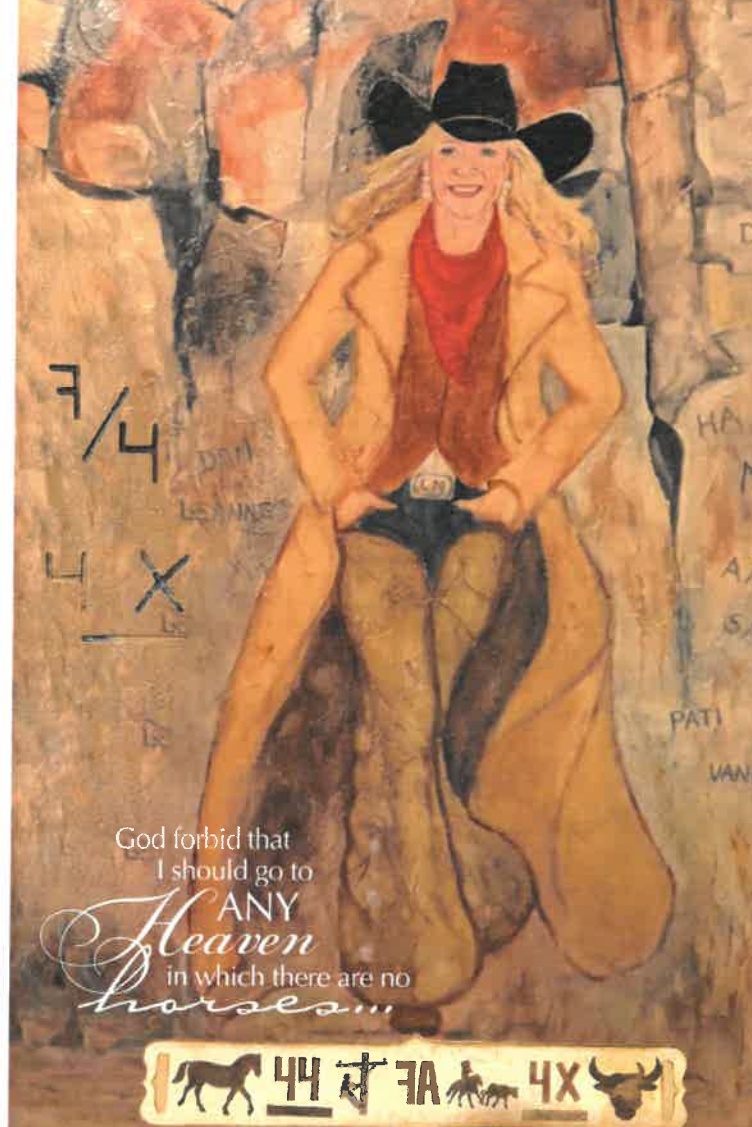
*Special Thank to Dean  
Connie  
Jeane  
Linda*

A SPECIAL THANK YOU WRITTEN  
IN LEANNE'S HANDWRITING

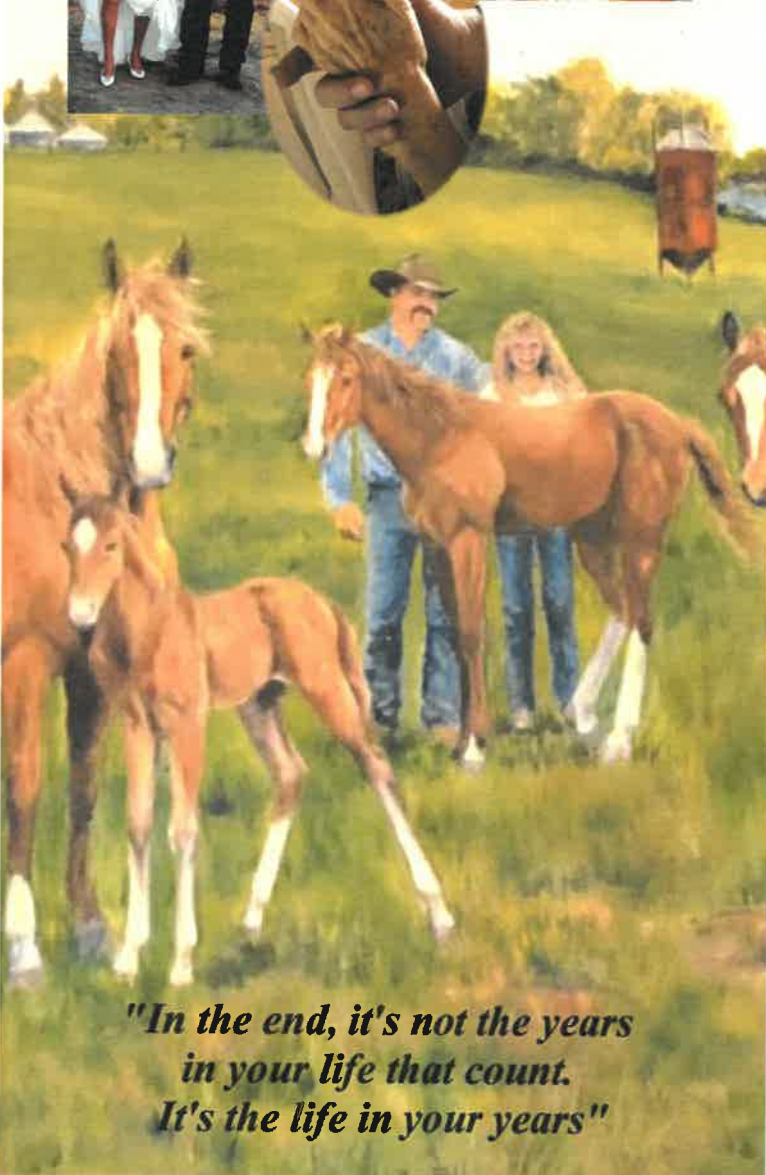
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FULKERSON STEVENSON FUNERAL HOME  
WILLISTON, NORTH DAKOTA

# IN LOVING MEMORY OF LEANNE MARIE ABELMANN

10/6/1948 - 9/8/2018



God forbid that  
I should go to  
**ANY**  
Heaven  
in which there are no  
horses!!!



*"In the end, it's not the years  
in your life that count.  
It's the life in your years"*





Leanne Marie (Melberg) Abelmann was born October 6, 1948 to James and Iris (Herseith) Melberg in Powers Lake, ND. She was baptized and confirmed at the Bethel Lutheran Church in Battle View, ND. Her school years were in Battle View and Powers Lake. She later attended Minot Business College. Leanne had two children she adored, Pati and Vance.

Leanne was lucky enough to marry her soul mate, Dan Ablemann on September 29, 2000. He was truly the love of her life and her rock when she needed him the most. They were able to build a life together of their dreams by living and working on their ranch. Leanne enjoyed the ranch life, and she and Dan could be found riding horses, branding, fencing and working in their yard and in their home. Her creative touch was in every corner of their home as well as outside as she filled it with her love of western décor, making it feel like a museum.

Over the years, Leanne had many jobs including her own cleaning business, Triangle Night Club, Sidney Country Club, Cattle-Ac and most recently, the Country Café. Leanne loved to work and did so until her body said "no more!"

Leanne loved spending time with her family and grandchildren. She could always be found with a camera in hand to take pictures of the people in her life that meant the most to her. Her family will always be grateful for the numerous scrapbooks she created.

Leanne was beautiful inside and out. She was a wild woman who was filled with life and spunk. She loved all things western, was never judgmental and was creative; always having a project for her or Dan to work on. Life wasn't always easy for her, but you would never know it, she was so strong. Leanne left this world holding onto Dan's hand, grateful for the time she had and finding peace within the presence of her Lord.

Leanne is survived by her husband, Dan Abelmann of Alexander, daughter, Pati Clausen of Bismarck, ND, her siblings, Linda Holmen of Tioga, ND, Jeane Harwood of Seattle, WA and Steve (Corrine) Melberg of Battle View, ND, her grandchildren, Amy (Anthony) Allogia of Palm Beach Gardens, FL, Paige, Mykenzie and Zane Clausen of Mandan, ND and Zachary Neset of Rapid City, SD, along with several nieces and nephews. Leanne was preceded in death by her parents, and her son Vance Neset.



When you lived your life for others  
and you loved *without condition*  
When you made so many laugh and your  
*smile* won't be forgotten  
When you left behind an empty place  
that no one else can fill  
When the friendships that you shared  
long to be renewed  
When you built your life on hope  
and fulfilled it every day  
The *footprints* that you left behind  
will bring us face to face  
So, *goodbye* is not forever,  
You're only steps away.



LEANNE'S FAVORITE SAYING  
"OH, MY HEART"