



Diana Margaret Mullen

May 28, 1947 - December 29, 2024

Mineral Point / Monroe - Diana Margaret (Thompson) Mullen, age 77, of Mineral Point / Monroe, passed away on Sunday, December 29, 2024 peacefully and surrounded by family after battling cancer for the third time.

Diana was born on May 28, 1947, in Stevens Point, WI to Chester and Esther (Paulson) Thompson. She was united in marriage to Donald Mullen on July 27, 1968 in Mineral Point, WI.

Diana started her career as a legal secretary for attorney Harry Speich in Mineral Point. She became a postal clerk/carrier at the Mineral Point Post Office in 1971. In 1980, Diana was sworn in as Postmaster of the Mineral Point Post Office. In 1986 she had the distinguished honor of hosting the First Day Issue of the Wisconsin Territory Postcard. The event hosted many honorees including Congressman and the Assistant Postmaster General. Diana served as Postmaster for Mineral Point for 22 years. She then served briefly as the Postmaster of Cobb, WI and retired after serving her final 2 years as Postmaster in Blanchardville, WI where she could be closer to her Mother and family.

Diana's greatest accomplishment was that as Mother and Grandmother. She and Don welcomed their first child, Holly Jenalda Mullen on February 22, 1969. A second daughter, Heather Jean Mullen was born on May 3, 1970. They welcomed their third daughter, Heidi Martha Mullen on July 31, 1971. Their fourth daughter, Kate Ann Mullen, was born on May 6, 1977. Their first born son Thomas Donald was joyously welcomed on May 31, 1978. They completed their family with the arrival of their youngest son, Mathew Thomas Mullen on October 16, 1981.

The Mullen family was tragically impacted by and at the time unknown disease called Primary Carnitine Deficiency. Three of the Mullen children, Holly, Heather, and Thomas (Tommy) passed at a young age as the medical community had not yet discovered the disease nor how to care for it. Heidi remains a medical miracle who was able to help doctors discover the disease. The family's impact on the diagnosis and management of

the disease is written in many medical journals around the country.

In retirement, Diana continued to break glass ceilings. She received her CDL license and drove semi as a team with her husband Don for Wick Buildings until the birth of her twin grandchildren. From that point on, she made her focus on her 11 grandchildren. She rarely missed a game or an event for her grandchildren and enjoyed many adopted grandchildren who knew her as Grandma cheering them on.

Don and Diana raised their family in Mineral Point until they retired to Monroe, WI in 2016. There they adopted Bandit, their Yorkie puppy, who brought them endless joy and love. Diana was also a fabulous artist who crafted many handmade quilts. She has donated many military Quilts of Valor and military quilts to Veterans. She has also made many graduation quilts and even puppy blankies for friends and family. When she wasn't sewing, she was in the kitchen passing on many family traditions including pasty making, perfecting Grandpa Clyde Mullen's candy recipe, making lefse, and lots of jams and jellies.

Her greatest love was that of family and she was preceded in death by many who meant so much to her. Her children, Holly, Heather, and Tommy; her parents Chet and Esther Thompson; her in-laws, Clyde and Jenalda Mullen.

She is survived by her husband, Donald Mullen; her children Heidi (Steven) Nelson of Lodi, WI, Kate (Derek) Carpenter of Monroe, WI, Mathew (Lisa) Mullen of Darlington, WI; grandchildren Luke, Carter, Jason, Christian, Holly, Aidan, Brycen, Rylee, Jadyn, Cooper, and Isabel; her siblings, Alvin (Bonnie) Thompson, Donna (Gene) Ellingson, Carol (Burnell) Gilberston, Cathy (Gary) Stamm, Paul (Caprice) Thompson; many nieces and nephews and so many that she considered her adopted grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, January 4, 2025 at 12:00 noon at the FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH in Mineral Point. Pastor Beryl Melcher will officiate. Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery. A visitation will be held on Saturday from 10:00 AM until 11:50 AM at the church.

Diana's family would like to extend a special thank you to her home nurse, Barbara and the many friends and family who have supported the family.

Cemetery Details

Graceland Cemetery

800 Fair Street
Mineral Point, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 10:00 AM - 11:50 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
400 Doty Street
Mineral Point, WI 53565

Service

JAN 4. 12:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
400 Doty Street
Mineral Point, WI 53565

Tribute Wall

DK

“ Donnie and family, so sorry of the passing of Diane. Debbie and Huey

Debbie Kieffer - January 03, 2025 at 02:45 PM

BF

“ Bob Kapke Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



Bob Kapke Family - January 03, 2025 at 12:12 PM

MF

“ Mark Nelson Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



Mark Nelson Family - January 01, 2025 at 08:51 PM

5S

“ 509th Brothers and Sisters purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



509th Brothers and Sisters - January 01, 2025 at 05:39 PM

5S

“ 509th Brothers and Sisters planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Diana Margaret Mullen.

509th Brothers and Sisters - January 01, 2025 at 05:39 PM

AO

“ 1 file added to the album Photos



Audrey Owens - January 01, 2025 at 05:31 PM

AO

So glad to have a chance to have a long chat with Diana in the fall of 2023 at Jim's

Audrey Owens - January 01, 2025 at 05:33 PM

MM

“ Melanie, Mike, and Bob Mullen purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



Melanie, Mike, and Bob Mullen - January 01, 2025 at 12:56 PM

KO

“ Kieu O. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Diana Margaret Mullen.

Kieu O. - January 01, 2025 at 03:53 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



December 31, 2024 at 09:10 PM

BD

“ BJ, Melissa (Mullen) & Matt Deal purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



BJ, Melissa (Mullen) & Matt Deal - December 31, 2024 at 06:04 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



December 31, 2024 at 05:53 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



December 31, 2024 at 04:12 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



December 31, 2024 at 03:20 PM

RM

“ Sending my sympathy, hugs, and prayers Don to you and all your family in the loss of Diana. I trained her to work for Attorney Harry A. Speich as I retired to have my first baby from his office job, kept touch here and there over the years since. Treasure your special memories to help you heal in your loss. Rosalie May

Rosalie May - December 31, 2024 at 01:46 PM

TC

“ Tena C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Diana Margaret Mullen.

Tena C. - December 31, 2024 at 01:28 PM

DC

“ Dennis & Sue Crooks purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



Dennis & Sue Crooks - December 31, 2024 at 12:34 PM

DT

“ My sympathy to the Mullen family. I worked with Diana teaching the Methodist Sunday School kids many years ago when Kate and Melanie were young and our girls were good friends. May she Rest In Peace. Donna Toay



Donna Toay - December 31, 2024 at 12:13 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Diana Margaret Mullen.



December 31, 2024 at 11:36 AM

TC

“ Your wife/mom was one of a kind and she always had the biggest smile and heartiest welcome. Love to all the Mullen's.

Tracie (Pittz) Cook - December 31, 2024 at 11:07 AM

DK

“ A beautiful woman that will be greatly missed. We had many great times at the 509th Vietnam reunions. Prayers to her family.

Denny and Tina Kremenak - December 31, 2024 at 07:38 AM

BR

“ One of the most amazing person I have ever met. Loving kind and brave.
I will miss you!
May God give strength to your family.
Love always, Barbara

Barbara Rothman - December 31, 2024 at 03:43 AM

MH

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all in your family.* ”

Michael Hammond - December 30, 2024 at 09:11 PM