#### Janet Gail Sechser

Janet (Wass) Sechser, 62, Sturgis, SD, formerly of Hot Springs, SD, passed Saturday, July 3, 2021.

She was born October 4, 1958, in Mitchell, SD, to Leland and Marlis (Van Overschelde) Wass. Their family of eight spent time in Chamberlain, SD, before moving to Hot Springs, SD, in 1968. Janet attended Hot Springs High School and had a deep love for athletics. She played basketball, softball, and gymnastics. Janet still holds a 45-year-old record in Womens Long Jump for the Hot Springs Bison. She always held that record very close to her heart and would proudly tell her story to any who would listen. After Janet graduated from Hot Springs High School in 1976, she moved to Aberdeen, SD, to enrolled in Presentation College for Nursing.

In 1979, Janet met Jerome Sechser at the Pizza Pub in Hot Springs, SD. They tied the knot on May 1, 1981, in Sioux Falls, SD, and had five beautiful children: Jeremy, Jesse, Jamie, JR, and Jacquie. She carried on her passion for sports through her children. From watching the big football game to cheering at the all-day track meet. Nothing made Janet smile more than when she was able to pass on her knowledge and experience to her babies and grandbabies. She had a great love for all animals and could save any house plant with her green thumb (we were all envious of). She also had a beautiful talent for baking cakes. Everything from wedding cakes to birthday cakes. There was not a challenge she wasn't willing to accept as long as she had her Green Bay Packers gear on.

Janet is survived by son, JR (Whitney) Sechser, Belle Fourche, SD; two daughters, Jacquie (Zac) Sechser, Sturgis, SD, and Jamie (Zane) Mez, Belle Fourche, SD; ex-husband, Jerome (Nicole) Sechser, George, IA; 17 grandbabies, Seyara, Carston, Eli, Lucas, Janna-Lynn, Jolene, Janine, Hunter, Kimber, Jayden, Jaimen, Janessa, Ashton, Leland, Zander, Nikolas and Hailey; 4 siblings, Rick, Teresa, Jeff and Anne; and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her beloved sons, Jeremy and Jesse Sechser; her parents, Marlis and Leland Wass; her brother, Mike Wass; and her maternal and paternal grandparents.

In lieu of flowers, donations towards funeral cost would be graciously accepted and can be sent to the Sechser Family at 1918 Hawthorne Court, Sturgis, SD 57785.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.



# In Loving Memory

Janet Gail Sechser
October 4, 1958 ~ July 3, 2021

### We Heard Your Voice In The Wind Today

We heard your voice in the wind today and we turned to see your face; The warmth of the wind caressed us as we stood silently in place.

We felt your touch in the sun today as its warmth filled the sky; We closed our eyes for your embrace and our spirits soared high.

We saw your eyes in the windowpane as we watched the falling rain; It seems as each raindrop fell it quietly said your name.

We held you close in our hearts today it made us feel complete; You may have passed... but you are not gone you will always be a part of us.

As long as the sun shines... the wind blows... the rain falls... you will live on inside of us forever











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### Born

October 4, 1958 Mitchell, South Dakota

### Died

July 3, 2021 Sturgis, South Dakota

Celebration Of Life
Saturday, July 10, 2021, at 12:00 p.m.
Deadwood VFW
Deadwood, South Dakota

