

Obituary of Virginia Sue Eggen

Virginia Sue Stahnke, 74, of Crane Lake, MN passed away on Saturday, March 18, 2023. She was born in Virginia, MN to Oliver and Verna (Wisneski) Eggen on February 28, 1949.

Virginia grew up in Crane Lake and attended and graduated from Orr High School. After graduating, Virginia left the Crane Lake area and moved to Bemidji to attend college, and then moved to the Twin Cities where she remained for several years. There she met and married William Themmes, and they were blessed with one son, Jake Themmes. Later she married Michael Stahnke, and they were blessed with a daughter, Katrina Stahnke. Virginia and her family moved to a Hobby farm in Almelund in 1981. Sadly, Michael passed away in 1984. In 1997 Virginia moved back to Crane Lake to the home where she was raised where she lived the remainder of her life. She worked at Home Health Care Specialists in Hibbing for 15 years.

Virginia loved gardening, music, and decorating for her favorite holiday; Christmas. Like her mother before her, Virginia was a wonderful cook and baker. She had a talent for making dill pickles, which were popular with her family and friends. She also loved animals which led her to volunteer at the Humane Society. Virginia was an avid fan of Gordon Lightfoot; attending at least 30 of his concerts. She was a very caring and accepting person. She enjoyed visiting with people and spending time with family and friends.

Virginia is preceded in death by her parents; husband Michael Stahnke; and brother Michael Burris.

Virginia is survived by her son Jake Themmes; her daughter Katrina (Josh Nuthak) Stahnke; grandchildren: Lily, Mikey, and Ron; her brother Arthur Eggen; and long-time companion Richard Ferris.