



## Jewel Diane Borkholder

March 2, 1962 - November 25, 2022

Jewel Diane Borkholder, 60, passed away November 25, 2022. She was born March 2, 1962 in West Branch, Michigan. She and her family came to Sarasota

in 1968 and she lived there until moving to Bradenton in 2020.

Jewel worked at Hunsader Farms for many years, working with produce and caring for animals, which she really enjoyed. Cows had a special place in her heart! Jewel had a big heart and was always helping out people in need. She also worked several years with handicapped children. In her later years she worked as a warehouse manager for Suncoast Food Alliance and then as a personal assistant for Daniels-Matthews family until the spring of 2022.

Left to cherish her memory are her life partner, Willie Abnar II, his children Brittany Abnar and Willie Abnar III; her parents, Harvey and Katie (Stoltzfus) Borkholder of Louisville, Kentucky; sisters, Melodie Vitale and her husband Gary of Louisville, Kentucky; and Marty Miller and her husband LaVon of Middlebury, Indiana; nieces and nephews, David Vitale and his wife Liz; Emily Dixon and her husband Ben; Ashley Miller; Rebecca Vitale and her husband Stephen Feagin; Mark Vitale and his wife Tara; Katie Klopfenstein and her husband Zac; and Todd Miller and his wife Sophia; great nieces and nephews, Jaxon and Aiden Klopfenstein; Sam and Hayden Vitale; Fiona Feagin; Maxton and Carson Miller; and Serge and Hazel Vitale; as well as her beloved kitten Jasper.

Jewel was predeceased by her sister, Naomi Borkholder; and great niece,

Caroline Vitale.

There will be a Celebration of Jewel's Life to be held on Monday, January 2, 2023 at 2:00 pm at Palm Grove Mennonite Church, 1087 S. Beneva Road, Sarasota, Florida 34232.

Memorial contributions may be made in Jewel's honor to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Research at [www.komen.org](http://www.komen.org). Memories and condolences may be left for the family online at [www.MFHcares.com](http://www.MFHcares.com).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 2. 2:00 PM (ET)

Palm Grove Mennonite Church  
1087 Beneva Road  
Sarasota, FL 34232  
[palmgrovemennonitechurch@gmail.com](mailto:palmgrovemennonitechurch@gmail.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Jewel Diane Borkholder.* ”



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December 31, 2022 at 04:00 PM