



Donna L Duke

January 30, 1946 - April 29, 2026

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Donna L. Duke (nee Giertz), age 80, a resident of Rio Communities, NM, passed away on April 29, 2026. Services will take place at Valley Lutheran Church in Los Lunas on Monday, June 1, 2026, beginning with a Visitation at 9:00 a.m., Funeral Service at 9:30 a.m., and followed by light refreshments. Interment will take place the same day at Santa Fe National Cemetery at 2:00 p.m.

Donna is survived by her loving husband of 60 years, Terrance (Terry) Duke; children; Theresa Duke and Malissa Duke (Robert Chavira II); grandchildren; Alex Smith (Allison), Jon Duke (Shawna), Brandi Buttram (Jesse), and Anthony Duke (Meliana); great grandchildren, Andrew, William, and Abigail Smith; and her brother, Donald Giertz. She was preceded in death by her parents, Alfred and Mae Giertz (nee Soucie); son, Anthony Joseph Sr.; her brother Joseph Giertz; and sister, MaeRose Garcia. Donna was a very faithful member of Valley Lutheran Church in Los Lunas, NM. Prior to her illnesses she was also a very active volunteer in the community, including with her Church, the Harvey House, Grace Free Store.

Urn bearer will be Abigail Smith. Honorary urn bearers will be Alex Smith, Jon Duke, Brandi Buttram, Anthony Duke, Andrew and William Smith.

Please sign Donna's online tribute at www.romerofuneralhomenm.com

Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 1. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (MT)

Valley Lutheran Church
3259 NM 47
Los Lunas , NM 87031

Funeral Service

JUN 1. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (MT)

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Light Refreshments

JUN 1. 10:30 AM (MT)

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Interment

JUN 1. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (MT)

Santa Fe National Cemetery
501 N. Guadalupe Street
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Tribute Wall



“ *Maxine Barela Schmock lit a candle in memory of Donna L Duke*



Maxine Barela Schmock - Yesterday at 10:03 PM



“ *Malissa, your mom was a kind and caring soul, she was always so patient in showing others how to do things, she was honest and had so much wisdom. In volunteering next to her, I'd always go to her when i couldn't figure out a donation given to the free store and she always knew what it was and what it was used for. Now she resting in peace with our heavenly father.
Im so sorry for your great loss and may the Lord Jesus bring you peace, comfort and love*




Shirley Schmock - May 05 at 01:17 PM



“ *My heart now understands what it means to rejoice and be broken at the same time. You were the best mom this daughter could ever ask for. ❤️* □

Malissa Duke Chavira - May 05 at 12:46 PM

 Carole
Duke

“ *The world will be sadder place without Donna but heaven and all of her loved ones waiting for her will be filled with joy. RIP my friend and sister in law. You will be greatly missed.*



Carole Duke - May 05 at 10:56 AM

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Terry, May the Peace of Our Lord be with you during this most difficult time. My condolences to you and your entire family. Blessings

Amanda Bermudez - OLOG Peralta - May 21 at 01:23 PM