



## Donna Lee Johnson

January 26, 1950 - June 24, 2021

Donna Lee Johnson , 71, of Independence peacefully passed away Thursday, June 24, 2021 .

Born January 26th, 1950, in Independence Mo, she was the daughter of Myrtle Ballinger and Fred Gardner.

She was preceded in death by her parents and sister Deana Briner .

She is survived by her son Michael T . Gardner; daughters, Michelle L. Holmes and husband Michael Holmes, Angela Cruz and husband Robert Cruz, her 8 grandchildren Tony Gardner, Justin Myers, Ben Gardner, Blake Watson, Makayla Cruz, Makenna Holmes, Shelby Cruz and Joseph Cruz along with 5 great grandchildren. Donna is also survived by her only brother-in-law, Tom Briner and her nephew, Shawn Briner.

While Donna spent most of her years as a care-taker to her parents she also worked early on within the Independence School District.

With her green thumb present Donna loved gardening, watching her favorite investigating TV show , Animal Planet or rooting on her beloved Chiefs, she was a die-hard KC Chiefs fan to the end, who proudly wore her red & gold watching every game.

A "Celebration of Life " will be held and her youngest daughters home, 3073 Highway TT, Bates City, MO on Saturday, July 3rd from 11am – 1pm.

Contributions to honor Donna's memory may also be made to Great Plains SPCA or American Cancer Society.

She will forever live in our hearts...as she is our Guardian Angel

# Tribute Wall



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