



Debra Sue DeBord

October 24, 1956 - June 8, 2024

Debra Sue DeBord, age 67, of Saline, Michigan, passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 8, 2024 surrounded by the love of her family. Deb was born October 24, 1956 in Sayre, PA to Jerry and the late Betty (Traister) Larkey. On July 15, 1977 she married the love of her life, Michael DeBord, and he survives. Deb's passion in life was her husband and family. She was, above all things, a mother and and a support for her husband Mike during his coaching career. Mike and Deb lived all over the country — Indiana, Colorado, Tennessee, Washington, Kansas and Michigan. Deb loved all of the action and adventure that came with being a coach's wife and often said she wouldn't change a thing about the life she had lived. Her last years brought challenges but she always faced them head-on and with grace, faith and her signature wit.

In addition to her husband, Mike, Deb leaves behind her two beloved sons, Tyler and Kyle (Alyssa), and four of her five grandchildren, Gabriel and Taylor DeBord, Tommy Delke and Jackson DeBord. She is also survived by her father, Jerry Larkey, two sisters, Pamela (Kurt) Humes and Jill Oglesbee, a brother, Steve Larkey, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother and her grandson, Anthony Michael. There is much comfort in knowing she had a happy reunion in heaven with her beloved grandson.

Per Deb's wishes, there will be no funeral. The family is planning a celebration of life later this summer. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for contributions in her name to Breakthrough T1D (formerly JDRF) https://www2.breakthrough1d.org/site/Donation2?2376.donation=form1&df_id=2376&mfc_pref=T&_gl=1*wvael*_gcl_au*MTA2NTQ4OTU0OC4xNzE4ODUwMTA5)

or Anthony's Way Memorial

(<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/1daf3d48-5cbf-4125-b577-c5c6e82894aa>)

To sign Deb's guestbook or to leave a memory please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ I'm so sorry to see about the loss of Deb. I met Deb during one of Mikes hospitalizations. Her love and dedication for her husband was very apparent. As well as all the stories we heard about her kids and grandkids. I will miss Deb and our "catch up" texts. Sending my love to Mike and her whole family.

Ellen Hammond - January 10, 2025 at 08:50 AM

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“ Think of you daily and often. Almost everything we did was fun. I'll forever be grateful to know that we were both poor enough to make your mashed potato and hot dog casserole and my eggs ala goldenrod. I still laugh when we all met up on our honeymoons and ate at a fancy restaurant. We made you ask for the “half order” because we didn't know it had something to do with the wine. The waiter looked at us like we were real greenhorns.. We were. You were the best sport ever. Love you always. You friend, Sue Ellen ❤️

Sue Ellen Childs - June 22, 2024 at 04:07 PM

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“ Although Mike and George knew each other through coaching at U of M, I got to know Deb through Vineyard Lake. She was such a lively, friendly neighbor and as kind as can be. She will be greatly missed. Our condolences go out to the whole family. Barb and George Pomey

Barbara Pomey - June 20, 2024 at 08:10 PM

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Mike, sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family as you go through this hard time. From Nancy Browning Borton

Nancy Borton - June 20, 2024 at 08:58 PM