

Kristen Nordholm Roethe Nov 15, 1943 – Jan. 24, 1990



Kristen (Nordholm) Roethe, 46, of 4607 Hwy. 59, Edgerton, died suddenly January 24, 1990 at the Edgerton Memorial Community Hospital.

Born November 15, 1943 in Red Wing, Minn. to Dr. Vincent and Florence (Buslee) Nordholm, she grew up in Stoughton, graduating from Stoughton High School in 1961. She attended Northwestern University for a year before graduating from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1965. She married John Roethe on June 19, 1965 and settled in the Edgerton area.

A lifelong diabetic, Kris had a determinedly positive attitude that allowed her to live a full and rich life. She taught speech and language in the Edgerton and most recently the Beloit school system. She was a member of the Wisconsin Education Association, the Beloit Education Association, the American Diabetes Association, the American Red Cross, the Bell Choir at Central Lutheran Church, and the P.E.O. sisterhood Chapter BL. Active in watersports, she taught swimming, lifesaving and sailing in the area for many years. She was an avid supporter of the U.W. Rowing Association.

Surviving are her mother, Florence (Buslee) Nordholm of Stoughton; her husband, John of Edgerton; a son, Daniel of Ft. Stewart, Ga.; a daughter, Jennifer Roethe, a reporter in Cincinnati, Ohio; a sister, Ann (Dr. David) Nelson of Stoughton; one aunt, one uncle and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her father.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, January 27 at Central Lutheran Church. Pastor Thomas Lee officiated. Pallbearers were Robert Jensen, David Viney, R. Y. Nelson, Frederick Henderson, John Clark, Michael Stuper.

There was visitation Friday from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. at the Albrecht Funeral Home, Edgerton.

Burial was in Fassett Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Red Cross, the American Diabetes Association, or the Central Lutheran Church Music Program.

Kris had a lovely character that made her a very special person. She overcame a diabetes-related amputation, showing tremendous courage in the face of adversity that was an inspiration to us all. Her family and friends loved her and miss her very much.