



## Sandra "Sandee" D. Oberg

January 21, 1957 - June 3, 2023

Sandra "Sandee" Dunker Oberg, 66, of Marengo died unexpectedly on June 3, 2023, at Northwestern Hospital in Huntley.

Sandee was born on January 21, 1957, the daughter of Robert W. and Norene E. (Pinnow) Dunker. Sandee was a graduate of Marengo High School's class of 1975. She graduated from Concordia College in 1979 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education and a Master of Science degree in 1986 in Theology and Education. In 2008, she returned to Concordia to obtain her Master of Science in School Leadership.

In 1986, Sandee began working at Zion Lutheran School where she worked as the Education Director and teacher for the remainder of her career. Teaching was Sandee's gift, and she embraced it. Each morning, she would open the door and make every child feel safe, loved, and accepted. She built beautiful relationships with students and staff over the years and cherished every moment.

Sandee never missed a chance to immerse herself in her hobbies, which included quilting, fishing, reading, and baking. She was a devout and faithful member of Zion Lutheran Church and was involved with Ladies' Aid, planning committees, and numerous boards. Sandee's love of children, devotion to family, contagious smile, and infinite generosity will be forever missed by

those who had the fortunate chance to meet her.

Sandee's favorite job, however, was that of "mom". On October 20, 1998, God granted Sandee a precious gift: the official adoption of her sweet baby girl, Marisa. In Sandee's own words, this began "the most wonderful journey of my life". Marisa was Sandee's world. She was always there for her daughter and taught her to be a strong Christian woman with a caring heart much like her own.

On March 20, 2021, Sandee married her best friend and companion, Ted in Hawaii. Together they embarked on a wonderful life full of love and adventure.

Survivors include her husband, Ted; daughter, Marisa (Kyle Waarich) Dunker; brothers, Mike (Sharon) Dunker and Scott (Jacquie) Dunker; sister, Tammie (Michael) Driver; stepchildren, Scott (Megan) Oberg, Sarah (Barry) McDonald and Lisa (Drew) Keefe; grandchildren, Max, Finn, Sophia, Evan, Ellie, Austin and Otto; numerous nieces and nephews and special friends including Mary Hildebrandt and Allan Jones.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial visitation will be held on Saturday, June 17 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church, 412 Jackson Street, Marengo. The visitation continues Monday, June 19 from 9-11 a.m. followed by a memorial service and luncheon. In lieu of flowers, please make memorials in Sandee's name to: Zion Tuition Fund, 408 Jackson Street, Marengo, IL 60152. Fredrick Funeral Home, Hampshire is assisting the family.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

JUN 17. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church  
412 Jackson Street  
Marengo, IL 60152

## Memorial Visitation

JUN 19. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church  
412 Jackson Street  
Marengo, IL 60152

## Memorial Service

JUN 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandee" D. Oberg.*



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June 16, 2023 at 04:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sandra "Sandee" D. Oberg.

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June 16, 2023 at 04:31 PM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandee" D. Oberg.*



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June 13, 2023 at 02:11 AM



“ *Our hearts are heartbroken! I recently just bumped into her at Joann fabrics we were going to make plans for lunch. She was one of the most genuine loving and caring person . She was there for me and my family when my father past by coming to our home. Sandee you will be missed. This such a great loss. Sending love and prayers to her family.*

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**Irene Fender** - June 09, 2023 at 12:06 PM

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“ *Natasha Schmidt (Schultz) and Dave purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Sandra "Sandee" D. Oberg.*



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**Natasha Schmidt (Schultz) and Dave** - June 08, 2023 at 01:06 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandee" D. Oberg.*



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June 08, 2023 at 09:15 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sandra "Sandee" D. Oberg.*

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June 08, 2023 at 09:15 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandee" D. Oberg.*



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June 07, 2023 at 09:44 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandee" D. Oberg.*



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June 07, 2023 at 09:27 PM



“ *Miss Sandee has always been the "face" of Zion for me. Whenever I had any questions, needed information, or help with anything at all... Miss Sandee was right there with a smile and a hug. I can't even begin to imagine how many lives she has touched. She will forever be in my heart. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family for the loss of such an absolutely wonderful person.*

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**Tammy Hotko Marlewski** - June 07, 2023 at 06:16 PM