Janice was born on July 6, 1944 to parents Maurice and Marian (Bernard) Murphy. Raised on a ranch, she was an all-around hand- in and out of the arena. She graduated from Scobey High School in 1962 and attended Eastern Montana College and Montana State College. On November 15, 1969 she was united in marriage to Keith Norby in Scobey. Janice worked in various industries throughout her life from the Sidney Saddlery to John Stockhill Jewelers to her 22 years at the Family Clinic and finally retiring after 11 years at the Richland Federal Credit Union...all while providing a loving home for her family on the farm and ranch.

Janice enjoyed spending her retired years both in Sioux Pass as well as Arizona. She made fast friends with people from all over the US and Canada. Janice never had idle hands...she spent numerous hours sewing and quilting, cross stitching, doing hardanger, reading her library of books and many other activities including dancing, shuffle board, hiking in Arizona. She loved a good card game as she never said no to hand & foot and played bunco in Montana for years as well as later in Arizona. When she wasn't busy socializing, she volunteered endless hours at St Anthonys Catholic Church, Sidney Hospital Gift Shop, Mondak Museum, Richland Co Health Dept and more. She always said her dad told her "You can sleep when you are dead"!

Mom was a classy and beautiful person, both inside and out. She had a huge heart, an infectious smile and a quick witted sense of humor that kept us all entertained. A life too short, a heart too kind – our loss is heavens gain!! She passed away on October 18, 2020 in Billings with her family by her side. While we will miss her terribly as she was our best friend, we know she has been reunited with Dadsomething she looked forward to since the day he left us.

Janice was preceded in death by her husband Keith, her parents, her sister Joslyn Murphy, in-laws, Ray and Grace Norby. Survivors include her daughters, Jill of Billings and Kelli (Chad Reisig) of Billings; step grandchildren Taylor and Luke Reisig, Gilbert, AZ; step great grandson Grant Evans, Gilbert, AZ; brother Gary (Mary) Murphy, Keatchie, LA; brothers-in-law Jack Walsh, Helena, MT, Kent (Lois) Norby, Excelsior, MN, Dale (Anita) Norby, Las Vegas, NV; sisters-in-law Shari Whittinghill, Almond, MI, LaRae (Darryl) Crowley, Poplar, MT; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Cards may be sent to Kelli at 1940 McKenzie Ln, Billings, MT 59106.

DUNG M Μ R \bigcirc E Janice Ann Norby

July 6, 1944~October 18, 2020

The Dash

the poem by Linda Ellis

I read of a man who stood to speak at the funeral of a friend. He referred to the dates on the tombstone from the beginning... to the end.

He noted that first came the date of birth and spoke of the following date with tears, but he said what mattered most of all was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time they spent alive on earth and now only those who loved them know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own, the cars... the house... the cash. What matters is how we live and love and how we spend our dash.

So think about this long and hard; are there things you'd like to change? For you never know how much time is left that still can be rearranged.

To be less quick to anger and show appreciation more and love the people in our lives like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect and more often wear a smile... remembering that this special dash

Janice Norby

Born July 6, 1944~Scobey, Montana

Passed Away October 18, 2020~Billings, Montana

Mass of Christian Burial 10:00AM Friday October 23, 2020 St. Matthew's Catholic Church

Sidney, Montana

Presider Father Jim O'Neil

Music Lori Utter Kathy Bidegaray

CasketbearersJim VittSteve VittDuane CardaDoug Lang

Dick Iverson Ed Miller

Honorary Casketbearers All of Janice's Friends and Neighbors in Montana & Arizona

Ushers Gary Rasmussen Deb Rasmussen

Final Resting Place

