



Dianne Minnette Parnell

January 5, 1944 - June 10, 2026

Dianne Minnette Parnell, 82, of Frisco, Texas, passed away on June 10, 2026. She was born on January 5, 1944, in Belleville, Illinois.

Dianne worked as a nurse specializing in oncology and was known for her compassion for her patients and dedication to caring for others. During her career she enjoyed working in several hospitals, home health, and retired from Blue Cross Blue Shield. She was a devoted mother and grandmother who enjoyed spending time with her family. She served as a Girl Scout leader and Sunday school teacher, sharing her time and talents with children in her community. Among her favorite roles was that of being the Band Directors wife. She loved attending every halftime performance, competition, concert and band trip with her strongest rewards being those she got from becoming a part of the students' lives. Her love for music continued throughout her life.

Dianne was well known for her cooking, which brought family and friends together throughout the years. In her later years, she enjoyed boating on Lake Texoma with her family and creating lasting memories on the water. She also had a great love for dogs.

She is survived by her children, Tammy Usrey, Kenneth Werner and wife Stephanie, and Lisa Young; her grandchildren, Candice Carr, Jeremy Sutherland, Jeffrey Unclebach, Timothy Usrey, Jessica Rogers, Daniel Usrey,

and Tanner Usrey; seven great-grandchildren; ten great-great-grandchildren; one great-great- great-grandchild; and her sister, Janice Mottinger, and brother-in-law, William Mottinger.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Parnell; her father, Laurence Lougeay; her mother, Virginia Muendlein Lougeay; and one great-grandchild. Dianne will be remembered for her dedication to her family, her service to others, her love of cooking, and the many memories she shared with those closest to her. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the John B. Parnell Endowed Music Scholarship Fund through the Southeastern Foundation, 425 W. University Blvd., Durant, OK 74701.

Services are under the direction of Devon Calverley and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.