

**Tayra Nicole Powell** Tayra Nicole Powell was born on July 15, 1978 to Robert and Sandra (Dubb) Powell in Mayville, ND. As a child she lived in North Dakota and Wyoming before moving to Colorado Springs, CO. This is where she went to school and attended the Air Academy High School graduating in the Class of 1996. This is where she became a social butterfly and enjoyed throughout her lifetime being around her friends and people. Tayra's beautiful smile and fun personality drew people to her like a magnet.

In her teenage years, Tayra met Dennis O'Brien and began their family together. This adventure would have them move to Comstock, MN. Eventually they would tie the knot on December 27, 2002 and continue raising their boys together. Also during this time, she would attend Aaker's Business College and get a two year degree in accounting.

Throughout her lifetime she had a few jobs including working at Dominos Pizza as a teenager, as a server at Denny's, Space Aliens, the church secretary for the Comstock Lutheran, office staff at Tharaldson's, and for the past 12 years at VTC (Fargo Vocational Training Center) working in administration and as the office manager.

Tayra's greatest pride and joy throughout her lifetime has been her three sons. She was able to be a stay-at-home mom with them while they were in their younger years. As the boys grew older, she was so proud of them in many ways including always being in the bleachers cheering for them. She had a beautiful bond with her Grandma Florence and always reminded her cousins that she was Grandma's favorite.

She is survived by her husband Dennis O'Brien of Comstock, MN, three sons: Anthony O'Brien, Adrian O'Brien, Asher O'Brien, her dad, Bob Powell, her mother and stepfather Sandra (Jody) Adams, one sister Nari (Jerry) Adams, niece Emma Adams, and nephews Elijah and Elliot Adams, and aunts, uncles, cousins, mother-in-law Birgitt Wilson, brother in law Martin (Tabatha) O'Brien, and sister in law Patricia O'Brien, nephew Tyler O'Brien, niece Ashlin O'Brien, and near and dear friends.

Tayra O'Brien, age 45, of Comstock, MN died in Sanford Hospital on Monday, April 8, 2024, at the age of 45 years, 8 months, and 24 days.

*May Her Memory Be Blessed*

*In Loving Memory Of*



*Tayra Nicole O'Brien*  
*July 15, 1978 ~ April 8, 2024*



# Celebrating The Life Of Tayra Nicole O'Brien

## Memorial Service

Saturday, April 13, 2024, 10:30 am  
Comstock Lutheran Church  
Comstock, Minnesota

## Officiating

Reverend Jill Steichen

Char Moe ~ Organist

"Hallelujah"

Jerry and Jody Adams ~ Special Music

"The Old Rugged Cross"

"Amazing Grace"

## Congregational Hymns

"Jesus Loves Me" #595

"On Eagles Wings" #787

## Appreciation

On behalf of Tayra's family, thank you for your love and support throughout her life. We appreciate your prayers and your time as her life is honored. Please join us for a time of food and fellowship following the funeral service.

Arrangements Entrusted to Dobmeier Funeral Home  
Barnesville, Minnesota

## I'M FREE

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard Him call  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at close of day.  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I've savored much,  
Good friends, good times,  
a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your hearts and peace to thee,  
God wanted me now; He set me free.*

~Anne Lindgren Davison