Celebration of Life

March 9, 2025

Cello and Slides

Cello: Julie Kim

Music - Mon Vrai Destin

Voyageur choir - all who know the song
Introduced by Dahveed Benson

Welcome

David Hough

Music - Hine Ma Tov

Lead singer: Rachel Makow

Ikse's Life

Nicole Anderson

Who Are We Here?

Solange & Jean-Canot Walker

Music - Thanksgiving Eve, by Bob Franke

Lead singer: Tim Hausler, Piano: Cheryl Forest Morganson

Poem - Wild Rose, by Ikse Mennen

Reader: Elysée Stansbury

Remembering Ikse

Paul Mennen

Élodie Trammell

Jean-Canot Walker

Alex Mennen

Susan Hough

Music - Qui peut faire de la voile sans vent?

Who Can Sail Without the Wind?

Lead singer: Molly "Marion" Feigal

Music - If You're Out There

Solo: May Zeng, Piano: Cheryl Forest Morganson

Parting Words & Announcements

Dahveed Benson



Ikse Jenna Mennen, age 29, died 22 January 2025 peacefully in the presence of loved ones. Originally from Sunnyvale, California, Ikse called many places home, including northern Minnesota and the deserts of Southern California. Ikse attended UW-Madison for linguistics and Scandinavian studies, Minnesota State at

Mankato for a master's in history, and was a Wilderness EMT. Ikse was most at home canoeing, climbing, hiking, and helping others do the same. Through their work at Concordia Language Villages-Les Voyageurs (Bemidji, MN) and High Trails Outdoor Science School (Big Bear, CA), Ikse imbued many students with their infectious love of adventure. They continued to enjoy these activities – as well as ultimate frisbee, acroyoga, and writing a novel – throughout their two-year journey with metastatic sarcoma.

Ikse is survived by mother Susan Hough, father Paul Mennen, brother Alex Mennen (Isabel Juniewicz), and many beloved friends and chosen family.

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Ikse Jenna Mennen

February 13, 1995 -January 22, 2025