



Lois J Carter

August 21, 1927 - November 7, 2020

Lois Juanita Carter of Ottumwa, formerly of Hedrick, Iowa passed into her heavenly home on Saturday, November 7, 2020.

Lois was born in La Junta, Colorado in a railroad box car on August 21, 1927 to Orville "Neil" Miller and Juanita Mae Wilson Miller. Lois was a 1946 graduate of La Junta High School. She married the love of her life, Francis "Ray" Carter on January 19, 1946 at Raton, New Mexico, and they had five children. Ray passed away on April 26, 1998.

Lois was an active church member and participated in several different ministries including teaching Sunday School, VBS, ladies fellowship, and serving at camps. As a community member she was involved with congregational meals and the Legion Auxiliary. Lois was a homemaker and took great enjoyment in helping Ray on the farm. She had a true passion for her family, she loved to make special treats for them including everyone's favorite filled cupcakes and stained glass Jell-O. She was well known as a gardener and for raising goats. Lois enjoyed reading, cooking and was a gifted artist who loved drawing people.

To cherish her memory, she leaves one son: Jim Carter of Hedrick; four daughters Janis (James) Weber of Sigourney, Joyce (Richard) Prough of Palmyra, MO, Judith (Craig) Heinrichs of Oskaloosa and Juanita (Donald)

Brain of Hedrick. Ten grandchildren, Kevin Carter, Kari Adamson, Michelle Bailey, Stephanie Reynolds, Rachel McMahon, Erik Saaranen, Anna Lisa Lundgren, Nicholas Heinrichs, Rebecca Tosh and Bryan Brain and fourteen great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Ray and her parents Orville "Neil" and Juanita Miller and a sister Dorothy Miller.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, November 14, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. in the Fremont Funeral Chapel in Fremont, Iowa, with Pastor Jim Eschenbrenner officiating. Burial will be in the Brooks Cemetery near Hedrick. According to the rules put in place by the Iowa Department of Public Health, proper social distancing and reasonable personal protective equipment is advised for attending a religious public event. The funeral will be live streamed at the Bates Funeral Home's YouTube Channel for those wishing to support the family from a distance. Visitation with the family present will be held Saturday morning from 9:00 a.m. until service time at 11:00 a.m. in the Fremont Funeral Chapel. Memorials may be made to the Hedrick American Legion Auxiliary.

Cemetery Details

Brooks Cemetery

Previous Events

Family Visitation

NOV **14**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fremont Funeral Chapel created a Bates Funeral Chapel You Tube Channel in memory of Lois J Carter*



Fremont Funeral Chapel - November 09, 2020 at 03:22 PM

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“ *I remember Grandma Lois was always happy to see me and was very patient with me trying to "help" around the farm when I was little. I remember her goats, chickens and geese all over. I remember "Shep", her very friendly but very excitable collie, his fur was full of cockleburs, but it was like his armor against the coyotes that would try to get a meal out of the other animals on the farm. I have such indelible memories of Grandma and family meals at her house. I remember her dinner rolls smelling wonderful. I'm sure the peas I put in my nose as a joke were grown right out there as well. Love you Grandma.*

Nick

Nick Heinrichs - January 31, 2021 at 02:13 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lois J Carter.*



November 11, 2020 at 10:46 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lois J Carter.*



November 10, 2020 at 08:34 PM



“ *Stephanie (and your whole family), I am so sorry for your loss. In reading the obituary, it sounds like she was a special lady. Your family will be in my prayers.*

Jim Butler - November 10, 2020 at 09:06 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Lois J Carter.*



November 09, 2020 at 08:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Lois J Carter.



November 09, 2020 at 08:32 PM