



Darlene E Christensen

November 19, 1926 - September 17, 2022

Darlene E. Christensen, 95, of Grand Island, passed away Saturday, September 17, 2022 at Tiffany Square Care Center. A Mass of Christian burial is scheduled for Wednesday, September 21st at 10:30 am at Blessed Sacrament Church. Father Marty Egging will officiate. Visitation will be on Tuesday, September 20th from 4-6 pm with Rosary at 6 pm, also at the church. All Faiths Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

Darlene was born on November 19, 1926 in Elba, NE to Alfred and Frances (Radke) Wells. She graduated from Elba High School in 1944 and soon married her high school sweetheart Marshall Christensen. Seven children were blessed into this union. The couple lived in Omaha for three years before moving to Grand Island, making this their permanent home. Darlene loved to assist the elderly and worked as a nurse's aide at Bauman Home and Riverside Lodge nursing homes in Grand Island for many years. Throughout her life, she also served as the primary caregiver for her family members, as well as several other families in the community, and loved to care for her grandchildren.

Darlene was a long-time member of Blessed Sacrament Church, Blessed Sacrament Altar Society, Catholic Daughters, and GI Legion ladies' auxiliary. In her spare time, Darlene enjoyed gardening and ironing, volunteering at Blessed Sacrament Church and Thrift store, planning family gatherings, and watching her beloved Huskers. She loved listening to Elvis and polka music, and watching The Young and The Restless.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children, Sandra (Robert) Meinecke, Debbie Christensen, Cindy (Allan) Payne, Pam (Donnie) Christensen; Daughter-in-law, Louise Christensen; 12 grandchildren, Gregg (Jalie) Meinecke, Melissa (Chris) Picoli, JaNalle (EJ) Gowlovech, Tasha Garcia, Corey (Molly) Christensen, JaDeen (Ryan) Hesman, Jason (Mandy) O'Brien, Tanya Payne, Zach (Emma) Christensen, Kyle (Renee) Payne, Jamie (Shelly) Perrie, Rhonda (Greg) Perrie; 36 great grandchildren; sisters, Buzz Welch and Tiny Chiodo; and brother-in-law, Bobby Christensen

Darlene was preceded in death by her husband, Marshall; children, Daniel Christensen, Greg Christensen, Pat Perrie; grandson, Wayne Cornell; sister, Alfreda Radke; son-in-law, Ron Perrie; daughter-in-law, Lianne Christensen; and special niece, Carol Chiodo.

Memorials are suggested to Blessed Sacrament Church.

Previous Events

Vigil Service

SEP **20**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
518 West State Street
Grand Island, NE 68801

Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **21**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
518 West State Street
Grand Island, NE 68801

Tribute Wall



“ *Darlene E Christensen*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *The value of hard-work and unconditional love is what this woman represented. What started as a co-worker of mine became a true friend. I will never forget taking Darlene & Marshall to the Husker Basketball Game. I told a fib and said they were my grandparents to get them a better seat to see Wes Wilkinson play. Her eyes just lit up cheering on the Huskers. Forever in our Hearts..Rest Easy My Friend..Amy Ummel & Family* ❤️❤️❤️

Amy Ummel - September 25, 2022 at 02:04 AM



“ *Love you Grandma ...you will be missed.*



Melissa Piccoli - September 20, 2022 at 06:41 PM



“ *Johnny, Camille and Spencer purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Darlene E Christensen.*



Johnny, Camille and Spencer - September 20, 2022 at 12:31 PM



“ *Melissa Piccoli lit a candle in memory of Darlene E Christensen*



Melissa Piccoli - September 19, 2022 at 08:18 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darlene E Christensen.*



September 19, 2022 at 12:58 PM