



Donna Holdt

October 4, 1934 - April 8, 2015

Donalle (Donna) Holdt

Donna (Trampe) Holdt, 80 of Grand Island died Wednesday, April 08, 2015 at her home, surrounded by family. She battled dementia for seven years. Donna was able to live in her home throughout her battle because her loving husband cared for her without waiver.

Services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Grand Island. Reverend Jack Gillam will officiate. Burial will be in the Grand Island Cemetery.

Visitation with family receiving friends will be from 6-8 p.m. Monday at All Faiths Funeral Home.

Those that cherish her memory are her husband of 60 years, Merlyn; children and their spouses, Melody and Mark Jacobsen of Fort Collins, CO, Cindy and Duane Bauer of Lincoln and Randy Holdt of Hastings; her grandchildren, Adam Jacobsen, Tyler and Erin Jacobsen, Alisha Jacobsen, Jessica and Adam Stover, Chad Bauer, Eric Holdt and Craig Holdt; four great-grandchildren, Daniel Jacobsen, James Jacobsen, Taylor Stover and Avery Stover; brothers, Dewaine, Deloss and Delman Trampe and sister, Darlene Kenney and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Minnie Trampe and brothers, Darrell Trampe and Dale Trampe.

Donna was born on October 4, 1934 in Miller, Nebraska. She grew up on a farm north of Amherst. She attended Sunnyside Grade School and graduated from Amherst High School.

On February 20, 1955 she was united in marriage to Merlyn Holdt at the Immanuel Lutheran Church a small rural church north of Amherst. This union was blessed with three children.

Donna and Merlyn lived in Kearney for 22 years. She worked retail and was a receptionist at Platte Valley Medical Group. They moved to Grand Island in 1977. She worked for the Grand Island High School, where she retired in 2006.

She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church and Grand Island Saddle Club. She enjoyed her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved to have the family home for holidays where she would prepare wonderful meals, have great Easter egg hunts and decorate for Christmas and plan gifts for everyone. Donna and Merlyn enjoyed playing cards especially Pinochle. They belonged to several card party groups throughout the years. She liked to work in her garden and enjoyed her beautiful flowers. She loved sitting on their deck and watching the birds and wildlife. Her greatest enjoyment was spending time with her family and friends.

The family would like to express their appreciation to Deloss and Carolyn Trampe, Pat Kenney and the many friends in Grand Island who continually visited and called.

A memorial fund will be established in memory of Donna.

Cemetery Details

Grand Island City Cemetery

Grand Island, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *Donna Holdt*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *worked with Donna @ Michael-Burks @ Conestoga Mall, she was a hoot!*

connie granger mac nish - April 18, 2015 at 03:01 PM



“ *Perry Kenney and Mary Alice Eckhout Kenney were class mates with Donna Lee. We graduated from Amherst High 1953. Many good times were shared in those days. Peace to the family, we are thinking of you.*

Mary Kenney - April 14, 2015 at 07:38 AM



“ *Donna's family always came first and she was the best mother and grandmother. Donna passed this down to her daughters. Randy and his sons lived with Merlin and Donna for a while and I'm sure the nurturing that Donna gave them was reciprocated when Randy's son took care of his grandmother. I've never seen a family that has shown so much love for each other and I think this comes from the way Donna and Merlin raised their children and the way Merlin has taken care of Donna Donna has not been the mother she once was for many years but her spirit lives on in her children and grandchildren. Laurie Wick*

Laurie Wick - April 13, 2015 at 12:33 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Donna Holdt.*



April 13, 2015 at 10:38 AM



“ *Lynda Stover purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Donna Holdt.*



Lynda Stover - April 13, 2015 at 12:22 AM



“ *I wish I had known this beautiful lady when she was still healthy and active! I had the privilege of staying with her on a couple of different occasions when her family was unable to. I knew she had grown up on a farm, so I shared some of the fond memories I have of growing up on a farm myself. She wasn't able to communicate with me except by patting my knee and trying to smile or laugh occasionally as possibly some memories were stirred with my constant chatter. And, that's what I am wishing for each of you now.....that certain conversations or instances will stir up the wonderful memories you each have of your wife, sister, mother, grandmother or aunt, and it will be these memories that sustain you during this grieving period and the years ahead until you see her once again in heaven. May God bless you.*

*Love,
Lynda Stover*

Lynda Stover - April 12, 2015 at 11:14 PM

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“ *THE TRAMPE FAMILY, AND HOLDT FAMILY
SORRY TO HEAR OF DONNAS PASSING. YOU WERE BLESSED
TO HAVE HER FOR SO LONG. SHE IS IN A BETTER PLACE, AND
I'M SURE SHE WILL BE MISSED
AMHERST GRAUD. OF 57
JANE RUMBECK RIPP
2418 NORTHWESTERN AVE.
AMES , IOWA 50010*

JANE RUMBECK RIPP - April 12, 2015 at 03:24 PM