



Marilyn Louise Bloomquist

November 15, 1932 - July 18, 2022

Marilyn Louise Bloomquist, 89, of Grand Island died on Monday, July 18, 2022. A service and celebration of Marilyn's life will be at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, July 25th, at First Presbyterian Church in Grand Island. Reverend Lisa Ewald will officiate.

There will be a visitation at the church, beginning at 9:30 a.m., until the time of the service. A private family burial is scheduled following the service at Grand Island City Cemetery.

Marilyn was born November 15, 1932, in Phillips, NE, the daughter of Horton and Elnora (Detamore) Harrison. She grew up in Wood River until the family moved to Grand Island, where she graduated from Grand Island High School in 1950.

Upon her graduation, she was employed as a telephone operator with Northwestern Bell Telephone. She met Harlan G. Bloomquist after his service in the U.S. Navy, were married on August 31, 1956, and raised two daughters in Grand Island. She resigned from Northwestern Bell to become a full-time mother, eventually beginning her career as a preschool teacher at First Presbyterian Church for several decades.

The happiest times of her life involved Christian servanthood, where she served others throughout First Presbyterian Church, especially the preschool children. She volunteered in numerous women's groups, including in the

kitchen and Sunday School. It was her calling and she responded generously. She received an honorary life membership of the Presbyterian Women of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

In addition, she volunteered at the St. Francis Hospital and Grand Island Public Schools as a reading tutor. She spent the majority of her retirement years caring for family members and others as part of her volunteering lifestyle.

Survivors who cherish Marilyn's memory include her two daughters, Lynell (Richard) Placzek of Lincoln and Deanna Murphy (Jimmy Lewis) of Gloucester, VA; five grandchildren, Lindsay (Matt) Thomas and their children, Payton and Logan, Ben (Bailey) Placzek and their children, Wylie and Willa, Sam (Rachel) Placzek, Regan (James) Dorsett and Dr. Patrick Murphy; sister, Cheryl (Douglas) Jensen of Grand Island; brother, Lou (Faythe) Harrison of Omaha, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harlan in 2018; her parents; and a sister, Patricia McClellan.

Memorials are suggested to First Presbyterian Preschool in lieu of flowers.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **25**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
2103 W Anna St
Grand Island, NE 68803

Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Marilyn Louise Bloomquist*

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