

Marlene Klingenberg, 76 ✓

April 10, 1938 - May 13, 2014

COUNCIL BLUFFS — Marlene Dayle Klingenberg was born on April 10, 1938 to Orrell and Myrtle (Thompson) Gearhart in Harlan. She was baptized and confirmed at the Queen of Apostles Church. She attended school in Harlan and graduated with the Class of 1956. She continued her education at the Mercy School of Nursing.

September 28, 1959, Marlene was united in marriage to Jack Schaben at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance. There were six children born to them: Carol, Dean, Brian, David, and twins Rodney and Roger. Marlene enjoyed being a housewife and raising her children.

She loved to travel and go on camping trips. She was a great cook and everyone loved her chicken noodle soup, which was a good thing because she always made too much! She could often be found listening to country music or playing cards; she especially loved Black Jack.

Eight years after Jack's death, Marlene married Arthur Lee Klingenberg in 1986 and welcomed three step-daughters to her family: Patti, Teresa, and Jolene. Marlene died on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs. She had attained the age of seventy-six years, one month, and three days.

Marlene was preceded in death by her parents, both husbands, Jack and Lee, and her granddaughter Dena. She is survived by her children: Carol Schaben of Norwalk, Dean Schaben and his wife Jamie of Springdale, AR, Brian Schaben and his wife Lori of Kansas City, MO, David Schaben of Kimballton, Rodney Schaben and his wife Brenda of Council Bluffs, and Roger Schaben of Clarinda; step-daughters: Patti Humpal of Cedar Falls, Teresa and her husband Kelly Snyder of Marathon, and Jolene and her husband Bruce Hiott of San Antonio, TX; nineteen grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; brother Larry Gearhart and his significant other Barbara of Hot Springs, AR; sisters Marilyn Tague of Pismo Beach, CA and Cheryl and her husband Keith Svendsen of Loveland, CO; other family members and many friends.

Rev. Chris Fontanini celebrated the 11:00 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial on Friday, May 16, 2014 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Defiance. Judy Rewerts accompanied Dave and Ruth Hoffmann. Honorary casket bearers were Leah Washburn, Dena Carter, Brittany Schaben, Lucas Schaben, Emily Schaben, Christopher Schaben, Jackie Schaben, Crystal Schaben, Amber Schaben, Ashley Schaben, Maddie Schaben, and Alise Schaben. Serving as casket bearers were Tyler Schaben, Chase Schaben, Jack Schaben, Zach Schaben, Evan Schaben, Dustin Schaben, and Ryan Carter. Interment was held at Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Defiance.



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