

Ardis Hott, age 74, of Lakeside, Iowa, died Friday, February 17, 2006 at Methodist Manor in Storm Lake, Iowa.

Ardis Rose Gustafson was born May 16, 1931 in Alta, Iowa to Conrad and Bessie (Malm) Gustafson. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith at Trinity Lutheran Church in Alta. Ardis attended grade school at Sulphur Springs, Iowa before graduating from Aurelia High School with the class of 1948.

On July 9, 1950, Ardis was united in marriage to LaVern Hott at Trinity Lutheran Church in Alta. LaVern and Ardis were blessed with four children: Cynthia, Corine, Loren (Bud), and John.

Ardis was a loving wife and a devoted mother who treasured her family. She kept a warm and comfortable home, welcoming all guests with generous hospitality. Her Swedish heritage was important to Ardis, and she kept it alive by preparing delicious Swedish dishes. Ardis was a lover of music and enjoyed singing. In high school, she sang with a sextet that won a medal at a national music contest in Joplin, Missouri. In her younger years, Ardis shared her musical talents by singing at weddings. And as grandchildren came along, she loved to sing with them. For relaxation, Ardis liked to find a good fishing spot and wait for the fish to come to her.

Ardis was a faithful member of St. Mark Lutheran Church in Storm Lake, where she was a member of the Ladies Circle, taught Bible School and was a substitute Sunday School teacher.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband of 55 years, LaVern Hott of Lakeside; children: Cynthia and husband Bruce Melohn of Newell; Corine and husband Craig Melohn of Newell; Loren (Bud) and wife LuAnn Hott of Newell; and John Hott of Richfield, Minnesota; grandchildren: Justin and wife Theresa Melohn of Washington, Iowa; Stacy and husband Jeff Stief of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Mitch Melohn of Davenport, Iowa; Melissa Melohn of Minneapolis, Minnesota; Chanda Hott of Akron, Ohio; Kelly and husband Aaron Brock of Colorado Springs, Colorado; and Nathan Hott of Iowa City, Iowa; great-grandchildren: Michael and Andrew Melohn and Jordon Stief; sister Vivian and husband Earl Jorgensen of Storm Lake; extended family and many friends.



50th Anniversary
Celebration

Preceding Ardis in death were her parents; infant sister Helen; brothers Edwin, Ernest, Harold, Arthur, Leonard and Roland; and sister Opal.



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Remembering A Special Life

Ardis Rose Hott

1931 — 2006



Walk Slowly...

*As we walked life's path on earth
Two souls met.
I found you and you found me.
Now that you have gone first,
Walk slowly,
So that I can catch up.*

Because 55 years is not enough.

— LaVern

*I'd like a memory of me
to be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing
times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who
grieve, to dry before the sun
of happy memories that I leave
when life on earth is done.*

— author unknown

We wish to express our gratitude for the kindness evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. You are invited for lunch and a time of fellowship at the church immediately following the service.



The Hott Family

IN MEMORY OF

Ardis Rose Hott

May 16, 1931 — February 17, 2006

FUNERAL SERVICE

Monday, February 20, 2006 at 10:30 a.m.
St. Mark Lutheran Church
Storm Lake, Iowa

CLERGY

Reverend Mark Youngquist
Reverend Connie Spitzack

ORGANIST

Gladys Eddie

DUET

Roxie Brostad & Sherry Knudtson
"In The Garden"

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"How Great Thou Art"
"Old Rugged Cross"

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS

John Rohlk, John Townsend, Lee Blessington

CASKETBEARERS

Jim Jorgensen, Tom Gustafson, Steve Peters
Mike Peters, Ray Gustafson, Ron Hott
Howard Peters, Earl Jorgensen

INTERMENT

Newell Cemetery
Newell, Iowa

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