

Our loving mother, Barbara Joan Iehl, lost her battle with cancer on March 13, 2006 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake, Iowa.

Barbara was born on October 15, 1931 to Berl and Melinda (Herrig) Irwin in their country home, northeast of Lake View.

She started school in 1938, going to different country schools between Sac City and Lake View in 1950. After high school, she worked at a grocery store in Sac City when she met Everett Iehl and was married on June 1, 1952. During this union, two children were born, Kathy and Kevin.

Mom was always a worker, helping out on the farm, plowing, milking cows and nursing sick pigs back to health, besides of taking care of a home and family. At this time, she lived on a farm north of Truesdale.

In 1977, Mom and Dad moved to their Storm Lake home. She then took on many new jobs, such as, selling Princess House Crystal and Welcome Wagon Hostess for Storm Lake.

Mom and Dad divorced in 1987 where Mom continued to live in her Storm Lake house. At this time in her life, it was hard for her to do physical labor jobs so she went back to school at ICCC and mastered the computer, which she enjoyed very much. She held a job with the Soil Conservation Office and later Kentucky Fried Chicken which was in her backyard.

Barb had many interests, such as camping, bowling, fishing and playing cards. But most of all spending time with her family, grandchildren and Smokey, her dog companion. Barb had many friends and acquaintances.

Preceding Barb in death were her parents, Berl and Melinda Irwin and a brother David Irwin.

Survivors include her daughter, Kathy (Paul) Sefcik of Ottosen, Iowa and son Kevin (Jeanne) Iehl of Rembrandt, Iowa; five grandchildren: Jill (Justin) Henningson of Ruthven, Iowa, Brian and Casey Iehl of Rembrandt, Dustin and Daniel Sefcik of Ottosen; two brothers, John (Norma) Irwin and Jerry (Sharon) Irwin, both of Early, Iowa; one sister Janet (Bob) Pekelder of Sheldon; and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

## *In Loving Memory*



**Barbara Joan Iehl**

1931—2006



# Footprints

One night I had a dream —  
I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord and  
across the sky flashed scenes of my life.  
For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand.  
One belonged to me and the other to the Lord.  
When the last scene of my life flashed before me,  
I looked back at the footprints in the sand.  
I noticed that many times along the path of my life,  
there was only one set of footprints.  
I also noticed that it happened at the very lowest  
and saddest times in my life.  
This really bothered me and  
I questioned the Lord about it.  
“Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you,  
you would walk with me all the way.  
But I have noticed that during the most  
troublesome times in my life  
there is only one set of footprints.  
I don’t understand why in times when  
I needed you most, you should leave me.”  
The Lord replied, “My precious, precious child,  
I love you and I would never, never leave you.  
During your time of trial and suffering,  
when you saw only one set of footprints,  
it was then that I carried you.”

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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 following this service.



*The Iehl Family*

## IN MEMORY OF

**Barbara J. Iehl**

October 15, 1931 – March 13, 2006

**FUNERAL SERVICE**  
*Thursday, March 16, 2006 at 11:00 a.m.*  
*Grace Lutheran Church*  
*Storm Lake, Iowa*

**CLERGY**  
*Reverend Steve Schulz*

**ORGANIST**  
*Scott Schuelke*

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS**  
*“Lift High The Cross”*  
*“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”*  
*“In The Garden”*  
*“Because He Lives”*  
*“Old Rugged Cross”*

**HONORARY CASKETBEARERS**  
*Jill Henningsen, Justin Henningsen, Brian Iehl, Casey Iehl*  
*Dustin Sefcik, Danny Sefcik*

**CASKETBEARERS**  
*Roger Iehl, Robert Iehl, Mike Wilson, Dave Schmitz*  
*Jay Irwin, Scott Irwin, David Irwin*

**INTERMENT**  
*Early Union Cemetery*  
*Early, Iowa*

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