



## Darlene Kruse

March 21, 1933 - February 7, 2017

Darlene Kruse, age 83, of Storm Lake, Iowa died Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at her home in Storm Lake.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church in rural Storm Lake. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Visitation will take place Friday, February 10, 2017 from 5-7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Darlene Louise Kruse was born March 21, 1933 in the Swallow Hospital in Storm Lake. She was the daughter of August W. and Dorathea (Buchholz) Kruse.

On April 14, 1933, she was baptized at the Zion Lutheran Church in rural Storm Lake where she was later confirmed on April 14, 1946. She was very active in the church and remained a lifelong member.

Growing up, she attended school at Lincoln #8 for two years and then Lincoln Lee for two more years before attending Zion Lutheran Parochial School for four years. She attended high school at Albert City where she graduated with the class of 1951.

After high school, Darlene worked for JC Penny from 1954—1995 as a bookkeeper.

In her younger years, Darlene enjoyed bowling and won trophies for the ladies doubles and women's singles league. In her spare time, she enjoyed sewing and crocheting. Darlene also loved playing cards. Family was important to Darlene and she treasured the time she was able to spend with them. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Those left to cherish her memory include her brothers: Don (Carol) Kruse of Rembrandt, Iowa; Wayne (Marian) Kruse of Storm Lake, Iowa; sister-in-law, Janice Kruse of Albert City, Iowa; numerous nieces and nephews; extended family and many friends.

Darlene was preceded in death by her parents, August and Dorathea; and her brother, Corwin Kruse.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **10**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake

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# Tribute Wall

DA

“ *My Sympathy to the family. She always had a smile on her face. My mother liked her name, so I got the same name . Thoughts and prayers are with you. Darlene Armstrong*

Darlene Armstrong - February 11, 2017 at 11:37 AM

SE

“ *Sandy Endreson lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse*



Sandy Endreson - February 11, 2017 at 07:55 AM

FH

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Homes - February 10, 2017 at 04:52 PM



“ *Renee Kruse Phillips lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse*



Renee Kruse Phillips - February 10, 2017 at 11:17 AM

PG

“ A CANDLE HAS BEEN LIT IN MEMORY OF DARLENE KRUSE. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE. LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE



PATTY GUNVILLE - February 09, 2017 at 04:19 PM

JD

“ John & Connie Demers lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse



John & Connie Demers - February 09, 2017 at 03:40 PM

MO

“ Moni lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse



Moni - February 09, 2017 at 01:05 PM



“ Katie Berkland lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse



Katie Berkland - February 09, 2017 at 12:51 PM

TB

“ *Trista Burke lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse*




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**Trista Burke** - February 09, 2017 at 12:02 PM

RD

“ *Robyn Diekman lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse*



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**Robyn Diekman** - February 09, 2017 at 11:54 AM

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Lundberg

“ *Ameer Lundberg lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse*



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**Ameer Lundberg** - February 09, 2017 at 11:48 AM

RH

“ *Ray And Donna Hemphill lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse*



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**Ray and Donna Hemphill** - February 09, 2017 at 09:33 AM

HH

“ Heidi Howard lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse



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Heidi Howard - February 09, 2017 at 07:12 AM

JW

“ Jerry & Retha Wirth lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse



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Jerry & Retha Wirth - February 08, 2017 at 09:49 PM

DJ

“ Deb And Kevin Jesse lit a candle in memory of Darlene Kruse



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Deb and Kevin Jesse - February 08, 2017 at 05:27 PM