



## Donna Larsen

April 17, 1939 - September 6, 2022

Donna J. Larsen, age 83, of Newell, Iowa passed away September 6, 2022 at Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake.

Funeral services will take place Monday, September 12, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Newell. To watch the livestream of the service, click the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9870479293?pwd=bFNaa3FuR3BqYUJBaEhjUVVyMTJrQT09> and enter the password, funeral. Burial will be in the Newell Cemetery. Visitation will take place Sunday, September 11, 2022 from 5-7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in STORM LAKE. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the family to be distributed according to Donna's wishes. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Donna Larsen was born April 17, 1939 to Edward and Helga (Pedersen) Hoberman in Storm Lake, Iowa.

She was baptized at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Newell on May 21, 1939. She was confirmed in her faith at St. Peter Lutheran Church on March 29, 1953. She attended Newell School, graduating in 1957.

Donna married Royce Larsen in 1957 and the couple was blessed with three daughters: Kimberly, Terri and Synthia.

Donna held jobs at Iowa State University and in Newell at Taylor's Market and Bireline Publishing. She also served on the Newell City Council and Park Board.

Her life was her church. She started playing the organ at age nine and served as organist for over 74 years at St. Peter Lutheran Church, as well as First Congregational Church in Newell. She played for over 200 weddings, as well as many funerals. She was always willing to accompany the choir, soloists and functions out-of-town.

Donna enjoyed playing cards and never missed a college basketball game on television. She loved staying up late to watch a good movie. She was a faithful Mustang fan and always enjoyed attending her grandkids activities.

She was preceded in death by her father: Eddie in 1995; her mother: Helga in 1996; brother: Richard Hoberman in 2021; and her special friend: Donald "Shorty" Galbraith in 2008.

Donna is survived by her daughters: Kim (Mary Beth Shahoda) Larsen of Asheville, North Carolina; Terri (Doug) Demers of Blair, Nebraska and their children: Stephanie (Zach) Iverson of Brandon, South Dakota; Amy (friend Andrew) Demers of Wichita, Kansas; Michael (fiance' Sarah) Demers of Elkhorn, Nebraska; Cindy (Duane) Magnussen of Newell, Iowa and their children: Cole (Ashley) Magnussen of Sioux Rapids, Iowa; Morgan (Cole) Feltner of Alta, Iowa; great-grandkids: Sawyer and Walker Magnussen and Baby Iverson, expected in December.

# Cemetery Details

## Newell Cemetery

E. Jensen St.  
Newell, IA 50568

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake  
1615 W Milwaukee Ave,  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
(712) 732-1911  
jensenfuneralhomes@gmail.com  
<https://www.fratzkejensen.com>

## Funeral Service

SEP 12. 9:30 AM (CT)

St. Peter Lutheran Church -- Newell  
314 South Clark  
Newell, IA 50568

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Donna Larsen*



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**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - September 09, 2022 at 05:22 PM

MH

“ *Michelle Henderson lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen*



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**Michelle Henderson** - September 13, 2022 at 12:27 AM



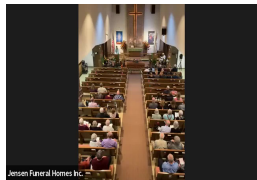
“ *So enjoyed visiting with Donna, loved her feisty personality, will miss her at the NF events!! She was a special lady!!! The Schachtners*

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**Connie Schachtner** - September 12, 2022 at 03:19 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Service Recording*



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**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - September 12, 2022 at 12:41 PM

PM

*Knowing Donna starts back at Helga and Eddie's farm house watching her play the organ. She tried to teach me how to play! Always enjoyed her point of view, comments that usually ended in laughter. Will miss her playing the church organ. She was one of the best! We are sorry to have missed her funeral, COVID kept us away. To her family, she was part of this community. You have our heart felt sympathy. She will be missed.*

**Paul and Marilyn Monson** - September 13, 2022 at 04:09 PM

TB

“ *Ted B lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen*



**Ted B** - September 12, 2022 at 11:52 AM

FJ

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



**Fratzke & Jensen** - September 11, 2022 at 05:39 PM

MY

“ *Mark/Chris Young lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen*



**Mark/Chris Young** - September 10, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Donna Larsen.*



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September 09, 2022 at 11:01 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the Donna Larsen family. May she rest in peace with the Lord above.*



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**Mary Lange** - September 09, 2022 at 08:59 PM



“ *Rest In Peace, Donna...*



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**Arlo Hogrefe** - September 09, 2022 at 01:39 PM



“ *Goodbye my friend....and wonderful accompanist through the years. You will be missed but forever remembered!*  
*Russ Davis*  
*Nemaha*

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**Russ Davis** - September 09, 2022 at 01:29 PM

AF

“ Ashley Fitch lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen



Ashley Fitch - September 09, 2022 at 10:24 AM

BR

“ Bev Reis lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen



Bev Reis - September 09, 2022 at 09:40 AM

DD

“ Darwin Dirks purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Donna Larsen.



Darwin Dirks - September 08, 2022 at 02:03 PM

WT

“ Wilbur & Karen Triplett sent a virtual gift in memory of Donna Larsen



Wilbur & Karen Triplett - September 08, 2022 at 01:45 PM



“ Donna was a very gifted organist for many years. In fact, she was one of my musical mentors! I enjoyed visiting with her and sharing past memories. God bless her family and His peace and comfort be with them at this time.  
Sonia Haahr



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**Sonia Haahr** - September 08, 2022 at 01:40 PM

CB

“ I have been friends with Donna for many years. She was a very gifted organist and a wonderful friend. I have missed not being able to correspond with her lately. RIP Donna.

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**Caroline Boettcher** - September 08, 2022 at 10:46 AM

AS

“ Alicia Staiert lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen



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**Alicia Staiert** - September 08, 2022 at 08:18 AM

CD

“ Cheryl DeMan lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen



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**Cheryl DeMan** - September 08, 2022 at 08:08 AM

KW

“ I’m so sorry to hear about the death of Donna! We had lots of good times together when I worked at Bireline Publishing with her in Newell for the newspaper! You have my sincerest sympathies!!

**Kris Wester** - September 08, 2022 at 05:57 AM

PG

“ A CANDLE HAS BEEN LIT IN MEMORY OF DONNA LARSEN. SYMPATHY & PRAYERS TO HER FAMILY. MAY DONNA RIP.



JOY, PEACE & LOVE, LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE

**PATTY GUNVILLE** - September 07, 2022 at 06:01 PM

DH

“ Duane/Eldona Hornor lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen



**Duane/Eldona Hornor** - September 07, 2022 at 05:58 PM

BM

“ Ben & Judy Malcom lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen



**Ben & Judy Malcom** - September 07, 2022 at 04:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donna Larsen.* ”



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September 07, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *Sam and Bev Taylor purchased the Blue Caribbe an Bouquet for the family of Donna Larsen.* ”



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**Sam and Bev Taylor** - September 07, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *Terra Sievers lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen* ”



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**Terra Sievers** - September 07, 2022 at 12:55 PM



“ *Bill And Danis Thompson lit a candle in memory of Donna Larsen* ”



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**Bill and Danis Thompson** - September 06, 2022 at 11:58 PM



“ *She was one of the nicest ladies I ever had the pleasure of knowing!*



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**Sandy Robinson** - September 06, 2022 at 09:15 PM

CB

*We have been friends for a long time. She was a special lady and terrific organist. I have missed not corresponding to her lately. RIP*

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**Caroline Boettcher** - September 08, 2022 at 10:41 AM