



Frances Ann Blum

September 13, 1946 - August 19, 2016

Frances A. Blum, age 69, of Schaller, Iowa died Friday, August 19, 2016 at Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska

Funeral Mass will be held Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Schaller. Burial will follow in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Schaller. Visitation will take place Monday, August 22, 2016 from 5-8:00 p.m. with a vigil service at 7:00 p.m. all at the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Schaller. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Frances A. Schmitt was born September 13, 1946 to John and Bertha (Engel) Schmitt in Storm Lake, Iowa. She was baptized as an infant at the Sacred Heart Church in Early, Iowa where she was later confirmed.

She attended school at Sacred Heart School in Early, Iowa where she graduated in 1964. Fran then went on to a business school in Sioux City, Iowa where she graduated with an Associate's Degree in 1966. She worked for Methodist Manor in Storm Lake.

On September 1, 1967 Fran was united in marriage to Loren "Butch" Blum at the Sacred Heart Church in Early, Iowa. Together, they were blessed with three children: Loren "Butch" Jr., Ray, and Stephanie.

Fran was a member of the St. Joseph's Church in Schaller, where she served on the Rosary Society.

Fran enjoyed making ceramics and communion cups. She loved spending time with family and especially enjoyed going to her grandkids ball games. Fran will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband, Butch of Schaller, Iowa; children: Loren "Butch", Jr. (Lisa) Blum of Rock Valley, Iowa; Ray (Lynnette) Blum of Hudsonville, Michigan; Stephanie (Michael) Brinkman of Early, Iowa; grandchildren: Jordan, Jared, Jenna Blum; Sammy, Lizzy, Ben Blum; Katie, Jacob, Luke Brinkman; brothers: Ed (Sandy) Schmitt of Early, Iowa; George (Sandy) Schmitt of Wall Lake, Iowa; sister, Helen (Don) Henrich of Merrill, Iowa; sister-in-law, Susan Schmitt of Early, Iowa, and many extended family members.

Fran was preceded in death by her parents: John and Bertha Schmitt; and brothers: Lawrence and Leonard (Mary) Schmitt.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery -- Schaller

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church -- Schaller
408 S. Main, IA 51053

Vigil Service

AUG **22**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church -- Schaller
408 S. Main, IA 51053

Memorial Service

AUG **23**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church -- Schaller
408 S. Main, IA 51053

Interment

AUG **23**. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery -- Schaller

Tribute Wall

NP

“ *My sincere sympathy to the family. Fran was a lovely, kind lady. She helped the second grade students at Spalding Catholic for many years with their chalices for First Communion. It was a pleasure to have known her. Nancy Penning*

Nancy Penning - August 23, 2016 at 10:09 PM

SS

“ *Staci Struthers lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum*



Staci Struthers - August 23, 2016 at 10:33 AM



“ *Virginia Trujillo lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum*



Virginia Trujillo - August 22, 2016 at 08:05 PM

KN

“ *We are sorry for the loss of fran, she was a kind person who made a point to attend and be involved in every family event she possibly could. We are praying for her family during their time of grief. With love, Keith Rachel and DJ Naughton*

Keith and Rachel Naughton - August 22, 2016 at 05:35 PM

NH

“ *NICKI HARRINGTON lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum*



NICKI HARRINGTON - August 22, 2016 at 04:23 PM

NH

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with the family. Fran was a very nice lady. Always a smile.. May she Rest in PEACE.*

NICKI HARRINGTON - August 22, 2016 at 04:23 PM

BN

“ *Sorry for your loss, your family is in our prayers. Brian Naughton and family*



Brian Naughton - August 22, 2016 at 02:41 PM

BT

“ *Brad & Stacy Thorpe lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum*



Brad & Stacy Thorpe - August 22, 2016 at 10:54 AM

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Funeral Home - August 22, 2016 at 10:47 AM

TB

“ Tom And Kathy Box lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum



Tom and Kathy Box - August 22, 2016 at 09:49 AM

TB

Tom and Kathy Box

Tom and Kathy Box - August 22, 2016 at 09:50 AM

TB

“ Tony Box lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum



Tony Box - August 22, 2016 at 09:24 AM

TB

My childhood, and that of many other Schaller kids, would not have been as nice had it not been for Fran. We were always welcomed and cared for. Everyone should grow up with a Fran in their life.

Tony Box - August 22, 2016 at 09:30 AM

TH

“ Troy And Heidi Howard lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum



Troy and Heidi Howard - August 22, 2016 at 07:24 AM

KS

“ Kevin Schmitt lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum



Kevin Schmitt - August 21, 2016 at 11:23 PM

DH

“ DeAnn Henrich lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum



DeAnn Henrich - August 21, 2016 at 05:45 PM

LR

“ Luanne Roling lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum



Luanne Roling - August 21, 2016 at 04:16 PM

LR

“ I remember walking many a bean field with Fran and family. I also spent a lot of time babysitting the kids. Fran did a great job at ceramics and I remember her chocolate chip cookies! Fran always had a smile on her face. She will be missed!

Luanne Roling

Luanne Roling - August 21, 2016 at 04:15 PM



“ *Classic Fireside Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Frances Ann Blum.*



August 21, 2016 at 12:03 PM

DC

“ *Our deepest sympathies to Fran's family. Many laughs shared when there were get togethers. Those were the good times.*
Don & Betty Cox

Don & Betty Cox - August 21, 2016 at 11:29 AM

DC

“ *Don & Betty Cox lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum*



Don & Betty Cox - August 21, 2016 at 11:22 AM



“ You will be greatly missed we will miss you I will always remember you! You are in a better place!



Virginia Trujillo - August 20, 2016 at 11:22 PM

DH

“ Donna Henrich lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum



Donna Henrich - August 20, 2016 at 11:08 PM

BO

“ Bernie & Ann Onnen lit a candle in memory of Frances Ann Blum



Bernie & Ann Onnen - August 20, 2016 at 08:40 PM

KH

“ I worked with Fran at Methodist Manor and she was such great help to me in therapy..whenever I needed her help..she was there..loved visiting with her..praying for all of you

Karmen Hodgdon - August 20, 2016 at 06:48 PM

KH

“ *I worked with Fran at Methodist Manor and she was such great help to me in therapy..whenever I needed her help..she was there..loved visiting with her..praying for all of you*

Karmen Hodgdon - August 20, 2016 at 06:48 PM