



Goldie Lee Poulson

November 7, 1936 - August 11, 2020

Memorial services will take place Saturday, August 15, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at Northwest Christian Church in Alta. Pastor Ben Michaels and nephew, Pastor Rick Burnette of VA will officiate the service. Burial will be in the Buena Vista Memorial Park Cemetery in Storm Lake. Visitation will take place Friday, August 14, 2020 from 5-7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in ALTA. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Alta is in charge of the arrangements.

Goldie Lee (Anderson) Poulson, daughter of Francis and Lucille (Swinderman) Anderson, was born on November 7, 1936 at home near Webb, IA. She graduated from Storm Lake High School and enjoyed singing in the church choir where she met her first love, Francis (Pinky) Loats, a handsome college student.

Pinky and Goldie married on March 30, 1957. They were blessed with four children, Michael, Michelle (Misty), Monica (Midge) and Mark. After years of being stationed in four states, and an 18 month hardship tour in Okinawa, Japan, they left the Air Force to settle down, making Alta their home. Having always wanted to be a teacher, she took classes at Buena Vista College for 2 years. Unfortunately, Pinky was soon diagnosed with leukemia which ended his life too early.

Her passion for children led her to begin driving a bus route for Alta Schools. She drove for over 40 years waving and smiling from behind her wheel. In her spare time, she learned how to reupholster furniture and turned it into a business, Loats Upholstery. Her eyes saw things not as they were but for the beautiful treasure they could be with a little love and care.

While working hard to make ends meet, Goldie attracted the interest of James Poulson. They married on August 20, 1976 (d. 1996). God blessed them with Melanie and Martin (Marty). Shortly after the wedding, the couple invited Goldie's brother, Darold, to live with them as his epilepsy no longer allowed him to live alone. She cared for him for more than 20 years until he needed skilled nursing.

Goldie was a founding member of Alta Church of Christ and enjoyed making huge batches of hot cocoa mix served on Sundays. She was most comfortable in the kitchen serving others and could turn a little of nothing into a meal for an army. Her gardening and canning skills kept her family well fed and the cookie jar was dependably full. She loved the thrill of garage sales and being with friends and family. A card shark she was not, but she made every game more fun and memorable. Her contagious laugh, beautiful smile, encouraging words, listening ear and nurturing hugs will be greatly missed.

On Tuesday, August 11 she passed away surrounded by the love of her family and ran into the arms of Jesus. Her address changed to Heaven where she is enjoying her eternal reward and no longer suffering from Alzheimer's.

She will be missed by many including her children: Michael and Kathy Loats of Alexandria, MN, Misty and Ed Hackbarth of Iowa Falls, Midge and Lynn Evans of Aurelia, Mark and Kelli Loats of Minot, ND, Melanie and Chris Harmon of Palestine, TX, and Marty Poulson of Merville, IA; her grandchildren who called her Grandma Bummy: Peter (Mandy) Dunphy, Elizabeth (Joe)

Hauser, Katherine (Andrew) Jorgensen, Erin Evans, Andrew Loats, Amanda (Brandon) Marean, Trey Evans, Brittany (Jon) Seefried, Jessica (Catrina) Davis, Daniel Loats, Jacob Loats, Macoy, Marshal, Caleah, and Miles Harmon; 19 great grandchildren; sister, Vera Hallengren of Storm Lake, brother, Robert Anderson, and brother-in-law, Richard Burnette of Meadows of Dan, VA.

Preceded in death by her parents; husband, Pinky; siblings: Mary Burnette, Darold, Earl, Betty and Shirley Anderson.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **14**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Memorial Service

AUG **15**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Northwest Christian Church
505 West Highway 7
Alta, IA 51002

Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Goldie Lee Poulson*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - August 14, 2020 at 03:22 PM

JH

Such a nice person with a great smile and laugh and personality. We all loved Goldie

Jon Hantsbarger - August 15, 2020 at 01:51 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Service Recording*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - August 17, 2020 at 11:13 AM

LP

“ *Larry G Pyle lit a candle in memory of Goldie Lee Poulson*



Larry G Pyle - August 16, 2020 at 12:07 AM

Jed
Olsen

“ Goldie was an amazing women .The world is less bright with out her .Forever missed. Jed olsen



Jed Olsen - August 15, 2020 at 02:01 AM

NW

“ I was in high school with Goldie. She always had a smile and was a friend to all.She came to our 60th high school reunion. A very special gal.. May she live in Glory with Jesus, and rest in peace dear friend..



Nancy Wolff - August 14, 2020 at 07:55 PM

PH

“ Pam Henderson lit a candle in memory of Goldie Lee Poulson



Pam Henderson - August 14, 2020 at 05:17 PM

CC

“ Like many others, Goldie was my "forever" busdriver. I was the last one on in the mornings and the last one off in the afternoon. When it was just Goldie and me left on the bus, she motioned me forward to talk about what book I was reading or what new music I was listening to on the radio. She always listened...her smile lit up the bus and her I can almost still hear her giggle. She will be missed by so many!

Colleen Carlson-Konop - August 14, 2020 at 03:54 PM

PR

“ Goldie was a wonderful lady! She was a great bus driver. All our children said she greeted everyone with a smile every morning. What a wonderful memory she created for children. Goldie was one of a kind. We all know she is smiling and enjoying her new home in heaven.

Pat Ryherd - August 14, 2020 at 03:26 PM



“ 184 files added to the album LifeTributes



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - August 14, 2020 at 03:02 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - August 14, 2020 at 02:41 PM

JC

“ Goldie was our neighbor, and her smile was infectious. Shortly after we moved here, I saw her walk to a neighbor's house every morning. I thought maybe Goldie and the neighbor, Ramona, were still practicing the old custom of "coffeeing," sharing news and gossip over a morning cup of coffee. I was later to learn that Goldie was helping Ramona with her ailing husband. Every morning. Ramona told me about this years later, after her husband died. Goldie wouldn't take a dime for helping out. The world never has enough people like Goldie.

Joan Curbow - August 14, 2020 at 01:34 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Goldie Lee Poulson.



August 14, 2020 at 01:10 PM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Goldie Lee Poulson.



August 14, 2020 at 12:25 PM

KA

“ I have know Goldie through grade school and HS graduation in 1956. Rest assured that she was greeted in Heaven with "well done my good and faithful servant." What a beautiful woman, beautiful smile with a life well lived. God Bless her family in this time of loss.
Karen Allen

Karen Allen - August 14, 2020 at 12:05 PM

PC

“ I met Goldie in the late 1980's after we moved to Alta and I fell in love with her. I met Goldie again when I returned to the community after a 28 year absence as pastor of the United Methodist Church. Her ever-present smile and positive attitude - no matter what, is my enduring memory. Prayers of comfort for her family. Pastor Karen (Mauser) Currier

Pastor Karen Currier - August 14, 2020 at 08:30 AM

SF

“ Steve Sauter and Family purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Goldie Lee Poulson.



Steve Sauter and Family - August 13, 2020 at 10:45 PM

BL

“ Our deepest sympathies to all of you...we were neighbors and spent many wonderful times with all of you...Love you all...Jerry, Becky, Justin, Heath and Megan Larson and families.

Becky Larson - August 13, 2020 at 09:30 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Goldie Lee Poulson.*



August 13, 2020 at 09:20 PM



“ *Goldie was a wonderful person who will be missed by those that had the pleasure of knowing her!*

Lance & Kim Evans



Lance Evans - August 13, 2020 at 09:12 PM



“ *Bob, Tom, Kathy, and Bill purchased the White Sympathy Baskets for the family of Goldie Lee Poulson.*



Bob, Tom, Kathy, and Bill - August 13, 2020 at 07:08 PM



“ *Randy And Mona Mason lit a candle in memory of Goldie Lee Poulson*



Randy and Mona Mason - August 13, 2020 at 06:58 PM

DN

“ *Our sympathy to the family. I have many fond memories of Goldie as my bus driver for all my years of school. Her happy greeting and smile made riding the bus a hour every day much easier to take. She will be lovingly remembered by many, many people.*



Diana Niehaus - August 13, 2020 at 06:34 PM

DE

“ *Dar And Barb Evans lit a candle in memory of Goldie Lee Poulson*



Dar and Barb Evans - August 13, 2020 at 04:09 PM

DE

“ *We came to Know Goldie when Lynn and Midge fell in love and was married . We got a beautiful daughter in Midge. Goldie always had a smile no matter what was happening in her life and oh my her hugs was like non other. Enjoy being with Pinky again Goldie he has missed you.*

Dar and Barb Evans - August 13, 2020 at 04:06 PM

CP

“ Goldie was my bus driver when my parents rented a house on a farm while a new house was being built on the edge of Alta. When we moved into that house, Goldie would sometimes pick me up while I was walking and drop me at our house. Sometimes, someone would mention it and she would tell me she couldn't give a ride anymore. But, she still did. She always had a smile on her face and cared very much for the children that rode her bus. My sympathy to Goldie's family.

Clay Polzin - August 13, 2020 at 03:18 PM

MV

“ Prayers go to the entire family. Goldie was one of a kind. What an awesome lady.

Mark VanHooser - August 13, 2020 at 01:41 PM

KW

“ I know Goldie drove my kids to school events. I just want the family to know that JoAnn Johnson and myself, lead “bell playing”, “hymn sings” and sometimes games out at Wel-life. Goldie would usually join us, once we knocked on her door and reminded her. Sometimes on our day, we would find her doing her laundry, and she would join us when done. We have missed the residents s bunch during this Covid time. I have gone window peeking..... carrying signs of missing them and love.... and hope to see you soon. Sometimes she would smile and she metimes I saw tears. She would always wave. She was a great lady.

Kim Walsh - August 13, 2020 at 01:37 PM

SC

“ Seldin Company purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Goldie Lee Poulson.



Seldin Company - August 13, 2020 at 12:10 PM

PG

“ Goldie was our bus driver for years, and I can truthfully say she never got upset with us or yelled, always a smile! A couple times when the weather was bad, she got us out of some pretty intense situations, but never showed she was worried or upset! I got my ears pierced from Goldie as many did and I will never forget the sound that needle made when it hit the apple! She did an awesome job, way better than the professionals! But really she was a pro, considering how many girls ears she pierced! My sympathy to Goldie's family! God got a great one on Aug. 11th! She will be missed.

Peg Grundmeier - August 13, 2020 at 08:12 AM

AG

“ Goldie was one of my mom's dearest friends. I believe they were in the same grade and attended school in Rembrandt. My mom was Wilma stange. Prayers for comfort to goldies family

Angela grienke - August 12, 2020 at 10:37 PM

CG

“ My sympathy is with your family. I know how hard it is to lose your mother. She will always be with you. I have many good memories of her from working with her at school. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Claudina Grienke

Claudina Grienke - August 12, 2020 at 08:55 PM

PG

“ *GOLDIE WAS A BEAUTIFUL LADY. I
REMEMBER HER FROM YEARS AGO
WHEN OUR CHILDREN WERE YOUNG,
AND GROWING OLDER. IT HAS BEEN
SOME TIME SINCE I HAVE SEEN HER, BUT
GOD REST HER SOUL. MAY HER FAMILY BE AT PEACE.
LOVE & PRAYERS,
LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE
STORM LAKE, IOWA*



PATTY GUNVILLE - August 12, 2020 at 07:10 PM