



Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich

July 30, 1934 - February 10, 2021

Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich, age 86 of Newell, Iowa died on Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at the Good Samaritan Society in Newell.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, February 12, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. To watch recording of the service, please visit Gwen's tribute wall. Burial will be in the Newell Cemetery. Visitation will take place one hour prior to the service at the funeral home in Storm Lake. The family requests that all guests in attendance wear a mask and social distancing is encouraged. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Good Samaritan Society- 415 W Hwy 7 Newell, Iowa 50568; Varina United Methodist Women- 321 Main St. Varina, Iowa 50593; or to the Buena Vista County Historical Society- 214 W 5th St. Storm Lake, IA 50588. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Gwendolyn Mae Meseck, the daughter of Erwin "Curly" and Viola (Andersen) Meseck, was born on July 30, 1934 in Elk Township in Buena Vista County. Growing up, she attended local schools; graduating from Hayes Township High School where she was the class valedictorian.

On April 4, 1954, Gwen was united in marriage to Charles Henrich at the First Methodist Church in Newell. The couple was blessed with four children:

Steven, LeAnn, Stanley, and Lori.

Gwen was active in her community and was a lifetime member of the Varina United Methodist Women and Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. In both organizations, she held numerous offices. She was also a member of the Buena Vista County Historical Society where she worked until the age of 83.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children: Steven (Linda) Henrich of Joplin, Missouri; LeAnn (Jeff) Millar of Angels Camp, California; Stanley (Joleen) Henrich of Newell, Iowa; son-in-law, Aaron Waldner of Storm Lake, Iowa; grandchildren: Mark Henrich, Nick Henrich, Dr. Kelsey Millar, Logan Millar, Benjamin (Patti) Henrich, Jami (Shawn) Georgiades, Alyssa (Mark) Henrich, Jonathon Waldner; great-grandchildren: Aiden Henrich, Savannah Henrich, Lisa Henrich, Adam Henrich, Paisleigh Georgiades, Sienna Alfieri; roommate, Dorothy Curry; Varina United Methodist Women; a host of first cousins; extended family and friends.

Gwen was preceded in death by her parents, Erwin and Viola Meseck; daughter, Lori Waldner; and 27 aunts, uncles and their spouses.

Cemetery Details

Newell Cemetery

E. Jensen St.
Newell, IA 50568

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 12. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - February 12, 2021 at 11:51 AM

CT

To my good friend Jonathan and his family...I am so sorry for your loss. May she rest in peace and I wish you all the best in this difficult time.

-Tank

Christopher Tancrede - February 14, 2021 at 08:35 PM

SE

“ *To the family of Gwendolyn 'Gwen" Henrich ~ my name is Susan Ellard and I live in Spicewood Texas. Many years ago a very close friend of mine, who has since passed, gave me a vintage postcard from 1908. I have been in the printing industry for over 40 years and the Easter Card was a vintage of time. However, I realized this card was mailed on April 18, 1908 from "Papa & Mama" to Gwendolyn C. Jensen, City and was never mailed and/or received, as far as I know. Therefore I only thought it would be a very special memory for this card to be sent to the family. I wish I had done it sooner....so sorry. The message on the card read: Happy Eastertime from Papa and Mama ~ Oh! Where is the "Wooster". A family member may email me at: susanellard@yahoo.com if you would like to pursue this lost memory/. Stay safe and well ~ respectfully Susan*

Susan Ellard - January 23, 2022 at 01:30 PM



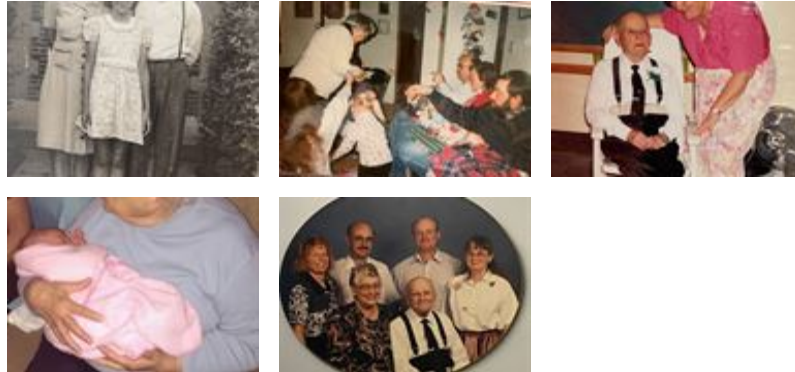
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Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - February 12, 2021 at 04:27 PM



“ 80 files added to the album Life Tributes



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - February 12, 2021 at 11:33 AM



“ Nancy Rickman lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich



Nancy Rickman - February 12, 2021 at 11:17 AM

EC

“ 1 file added to the album *Gwendolyn Mae Messeck Henrich*



Elaine Cook - February 12, 2021 at 10:41 AM

TH

“ *TIL Honnette lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



TIL Honnette - February 12, 2021 at 07:54 AM

RW

“ *Ruth Westergaard lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



Ruth Westergaard - February 11, 2021 at 10:36 PM

DH

“ *Duane/Eldona Hornor lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



Duane/Eldona Hornor - February 11, 2021 at 07:42 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich.*



February 11, 2021 at 06:29 PM



“ *Sally Rassler lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



Sally Rassler - February 11, 2021 at 06:26 PM



“ *Doris lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



Doris - February 11, 2021 at 05:46 PM

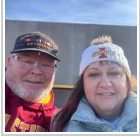


“ *A CANDLE HAS BEEN LIT IN MEMORY OF GWEN HENRICH. SYMPATHY & PRAYERS TO HER FAMILY. MAY SHE RIP.*



*PEACE, LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE
STORM LAKE, IOWA*

PATTY GUNVILLE - February 11, 2021 at 05:35 PM



“ *Sandy Robinson lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



Sandy Robinson - February 11, 2021 at 04:09 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich.*



February 11, 2021 at 03:47 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich.*



February 11, 2021 at 03:20 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers to Gwen's family on her call Home. Remember fondly our yearly Christmas caroling at her home with her dad Curly. Gwen always had goodies ready the German students and us. So welcoming and always a fun time. God's Peace. Marilyn and Randy Schmitt*

Marilyn and Randy Schmitt - February 11, 2021 at 03:06 PM

MR

“ *Mary Rice lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



Mary Rice - February 11, 2021 at 01:29 PM

TD

“ *I had adopted Newell Good Samaritan Home for our women's group UMW, in large part to keep Gwen in touch with Storm Lake United Methodist Church. Before Covid-19, it was a treat to visit with her and the roommate she introduced to me, Dortothy. Years ago, Larry and I could ALWAYS find "our seat" in Church because Gwen was there earlier and where she sat was our hint. I will certainly miss her. It's another thing Covid stole from us.*
Terry & Larry Davenport

Terry and Larry Davenport - February 11, 2021 at 01:29 PM

LD

“ *Larry & Terry Davenport lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



Larry & Terry Davenport - February 11, 2021 at 01:22 PM

TZ

“ *The Zimmerman's lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



The Zimmerman's - February 11, 2021 at 10:23 AM

JD

“ *John And Connie Demers lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



John and Connie Demers - February 10, 2021 at 08:58 PM

SH

“ *Sandy Hogrefe lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



Sandy Hogrefe - February 10, 2021 at 07:49 PM

MY

“ *Mark / Chris Young lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn "Gwen" Henrich*



Mark / Chris Young - February 10, 2021 at 05:32 PM