



Joan Elaine Martin

August 20, 1934 - April 24, 2017

Joan Elaine Martin, age 82, of Storm Lake, Iowa died Monday, April 24, 2017 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake.

Funeral Mass will be held Friday, April 28, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. Burial will follow in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will take place Thursday, April 27, 2017 from 5-7:00 p.m. with a rosary prayed at 7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. The family requests memorials be designated to St. Mary's Catholic School in Storm Lake. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Joan Elaine Demers was born August 20, 1934 at Swallum Hospital in Storm Lake, Iowa to Margaret (McGarry) and Louis Demers. She was baptized as an infant in the Catholic faith and confirmed her faith as a youth. She was a faithful member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake.

Joan attended school at Washington Township, Newell Consolidated School, Grant Township and later Sulphur Springs where she graduated in 1952. She attended Buena Vista College where she received an elementary teaching degree. Joan taught two years at Galva Consolidated School and one year at Hayes Consolidated School.

Joan was conducting some business at The Commercial Trust & Savings Bank and met a young teller who appeared pretty neat. Later they met again at the Cobblestone Ballroom. He asked for the next dance and the rest is history.

On June 4, 1956 Joan was united in marriage to Dale Martin at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake, Iowa. The couple were blessed with five children: Dennis, Donna, Douglas, Dwight, and David.

Joan enjoyed cooking, baking, and working with her husband and children improving houses and apartments. She liked refinishing furniture and woodwork.

Joan enjoyed time with her family and friends and loved playing games, especially cards, with them. Her pastime was spent reading. She worked many years in downtown, Storm Lake: The Woman's Shop, Ressler Drug Store, Joyce's Greenery, and J.C. Penny's.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband, Dale of Storm Lake; their children Dennis (Lori) Martin of Des Moines, IA, Donna (Curt) Salton of Ayrshire, IA, Douglas Martin of Willmar, MN, Dwight Martin of Hartford, IA and David Martin (Sabine Kibby) of Indianola, IA.

She will be missed by 22 grandchildren: Kelly (Nick) Kraska, Jason (Tatum) Martin, Allison and Tyler Martin, Leah (Mike) Wilson, Kristiana (John) Moore, Kevin Salton, Danielle (Eli) Smith, Joshua (Serena) Martin, Benjamin (Jessica) Martin, Bethany (Eric) Lancaster, Hannah (Adam) Cordes, Abigail (Nick) Ardoff, Josiah, Naomi, Jeremiah and Peter James Martin, Michael (Chelsea) Martin, Lucas and Samuel Martin, Lauren Martin (Aubrey Newman), and Emily Martin (DeAndre McGilberry).

She will also be missed by 25 great-grandchildren: Abigail and Andrew Kraska, Caleb, Megan and Colton Wilson, Demelza Moore, Elisa, Carson, Aidan, Jackson, Adara and Ivory Smith, Ashton Martin, Jebediah, Hezekiah, Elijah, Melchizedek, Gideon, Anah, and Ezekiel Martin, Peyton Lancaster, Aubrey and Quincy Newman and Vaughn Houston and Zayne McGilberry.

Joan is survived by sisters-in-law, Delphine Demers, Joan Phillips, and Joyce Hoskins, sister-in-law Elaine and her husband Gerald Carlson, and nieces, nephews, and friends.

Preceding Joan in death were her parents, Louis and Margaret Demers, her brothers, Louis and Duane Demers, her sister Janet Hartman and her husband Jim Hartman, great-granddaughter, Amari Rae Newman, brothers-in-law Gilbert Phillips and Marion Martin and sister-in-law Norene Martin and daughter-in-law Jackie Martin. Also preceding Joan in death were her father-in-law, Wayne Martin and his wife Edna Martin.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake
1615 W Milwaukee Ave,
Storm Lake, IA 50588
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Rosary

APR 27. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

APR 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church -- Storm Lake
320 Seneca Street
Storm Lake, IA

Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Joan Elaine Martin*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - April 27, 2017 at 12:01 PM

BM

“ *To the Martin Family:*

My sincere condolences to your family. May Joan RIP. May God bless your family as you suffer your loss. Joan and I were suite-mates at BVC (now BVU). One could not ask for a nicer member in our living area---always happy, hard-working, and so many other positive traits. I have wonderful memories of our friendship. I am thinking of your family, across the miles, as I write this message. Sincerely, Bonnie Mester

BONNIE M MESTER - April 27, 2017 at 07:17 PM

FH

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Funeral Home - April 27, 2017 at 04:11 PM

JD

“ *John And Connie Demers lit a candle in memory of Joan Elaine Martin*



John and Connie Demers - April 27, 2017 at 12:17 PM

DS

“ *Dr. Tom Stark and Staff purchased the Healing Tears - Lavender and White for the family of Joan Elaine Martin.*



Dr. Tom Stark and Staff - April 26, 2017 at 11:45 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Joan Elaine Martin.*



April 26, 2017 at 03:58 PM

JO

“ *Jeff & Marjean O'Bannon lit a candle in memory of Joan Elaine Martin*



Jeff & Marjean O'Bannon - April 26, 2017 at 01:39 PM

PD

“ Pat Davidson lit a candle in memory of Joan Elaine Martin



Pat Davidson - April 26, 2017 at 12:56 PM

PD

Joan was such a nice lady. I'll miss visiting with her at church.

Pat Davidson - April 26, 2017 at 12:57 PM

SI

Dale, I'm so sorry for your loss.

Sharon Irwin - April 27, 2017 at 07:35 PM

SI

“ Staff at IPERS purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Basket for the family of Joan Elaine Martin.



Staff at IPERS - April 26, 2017 at 11:39 AM



“ Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Joan Elaine Martin.



April 26, 2017 at 09:56 AM

LC

“ *Larry And Betty Cooling lit a candle in memory of Joan Elaine Martin*



Larry and Betty Cooling - April 26, 2017 at 09:26 AM

DJ

“ *Deb And Kevin Jesse lit a candle in memory of Joan Elaine Martin*



Deb and Kevin Jesse - April 26, 2017 at 09:00 AM

AM

“ *Dale, we are truly sorry to hear of Joan's death. A nicer person than Joan just didn't exist. We hope knowing she is no longer sick, gives you some comfort. Love to all, Allen & Carole Martin - Pekin, IL.*

Allen & Carole Martin - April 25, 2017 at 10:36 PM

MF

“ *Magee, Reed, Schramm, Pranschke, Mentzer Families purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Joan Elaine Martin.*



Magee, Reed, Schramm, Pranschke, Mentzer Families - April 25, 2017 at 08:02 PM

DM

“ I will offer Mass and a rosary for Joan tomorrow as my class sings in the choir. Joan was strong, always busy, a great cook (I loved her zucchini bread), a wonderful mother and wife, faith filled, and had a good sense of humor. I will miss our conversations when Donna and I would stop by for a visit. Joan got to hold my grandchild before me! And for that I am grateful. May she rest in peace and let perpetual light shine upon her.

Donna Magee - April 25, 2017 at 06:29 PM

CH

“ Dale and family, you are in our prayers

Keith and Connie Hartman



Connie Hartman - April 25, 2017 at 05:35 PM

PG

“ A CANDLE HAS BEEN LIT FOR YOUR WIFE & MOTHER, JOAN. OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS ARE WITH ALL OF YOU.
LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE



PATTY GUNVILLE - April 25, 2017 at 04:26 PM