



## Joyce L. Holmes

November 13, 1924 - November 24, 2017

Joyce L. Holmes, age 93, of Storm Lake, Iowa died Friday, November 24, 2017 at Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake.

Memorial services will be held Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. Burial will follow in the Buena Vista Memorial Park Cemetery in Storm Lake. Visitation will take place one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Joyce Lynette Cross was born November 13, 1924 to Clarence E. and Dorothy A. (Atkey) Cross in St. Catherine's Ontario, Canada. She was baptized in the First Presbyterian Church and graduated from Lafayette High School in Niagara Falls. Joyce attended nursing school in Buffalo, New York where she graduated in 1946.

On July 31, 1945 she was united in marriage to Virgil Holmes in Niagara Falls. This union was blessed with three children: James, Richard and Catherine.

After Joyce and Virgil were married they moved to Des Moines, Iowa and later to Storm Lake in 1951. Joyce worked at the Buena Vista County Hospital as a registered nurse. Her loving care of Virgil enabled them to enjoy 50 long and happy years together as man and wife.

Joyce took great pride in having a beautiful flower garden and was active in the garden club. She was a member of the Lakeside Presbyterian Church in Storm Lake and was a member of the church circle for many years. Joyce had a love for pets, especially cats and dogs. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children: James (Donna Cech) Holmes of Oak Park, Illinois; Richard (Stephanie) Holmes of Council Bluffs, Iowa; and Catherine Franciol of St. Martinville, Louisiana; Fairbanks, Alaska; sisters: Betty Cross of Gaylord, Michigan; and Dorothy Bratt of Groton, Massachusetts; grandsons: Ezra Klug of Seattle, Washington and Alec Holmes of Austin, Texas; extended family and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Clarence and Dorothy; her husband, Virgil ; and son-in-law, Hatton Franciol.

Donations to your local animal shelter.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **30**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



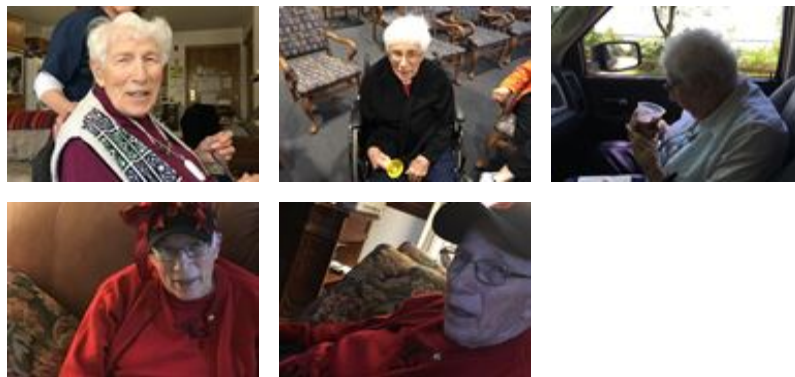
“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Joyce L. Holmes*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - November 29, 2017 at 05:43 PM



“ *148 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - November 29, 2017 at 02:24 PM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Funeral Home - November 28, 2017 at 11:34 AM

JF

“ So many special memories of my dear friend. We shared a love for dogs and cats and any kind of wildlife. We had a lot of laughs over the years and special times visiting over a cup of coffee or hot chocolate. Sometimes we would just sit on her back patio, or walk around her yard and look at her flowers. She always loved it when i would bring A couple of my dogs to visit. I loved Joyce very much. Heaven gained an angel.

Julie Fiedler - November 27, 2017 at 10:12 AM



“ Springtime Wishes was purchased for the family of Joyce L. Holmes.



November 27, 2017 at 08:30 AM

HH

“ Heidi Howard lit a candle in memory of Joyce L. Holmes



Heidi Howard - November 27, 2017 at 08:25 AM

PD

“ Joyce was a lovely lady! We became friends because of a mutual friendship with Regina Laird--they were such good friends!

Pat Davidson - November 26, 2017 at 02:02 PM

BD

“ Our beloved neighbor, Joyce, was so sweet to our family. She would invite our son, Tyler, in for a glass of ginger ale after he helped her with yard work. She also took in our cat, Devo, to keep her company. We have so many fond memories of your mother. She was always a pleasure to be around and brought many smiles and laughs to our lives. Love, Steve, Brigett, and Tyler DeVos

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**Brigett DeVos** - November 26, 2017 at 10:42 AM

DH

“ Joyce was a good neighbor and friend. I will always remember our bridge playing days with fellow neighbors. We had a lot of fun together.

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**Donna Holmes** - November 25, 2017 at 09:24 AM