



Lois Jeanne Statz

December 21, 1926 - September 18, 2024

Lois Jeanne Statz, age 97, of Storm Lake, Iowa died Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake.

Funeral services will take place Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. Burial will be in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Storm Lake. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the CHURCH. In lieu of flowers, please direct donations to Elderbridge.org. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Lois Jeanne Cole was born December 21, 1926, to Robert and Julia (Pierce) Cole in Hawarden, Iowa. Her life was shaped by growing up as the youngest of eight on a large farm in Hudson, South Dakota, where she happily enjoyed all chores, especially those that took her outside. The nearby Little Sioux River was part of her playground with ice skating, sledding, and swimming.

Jeanne went to school in Hudson, graduating in 1944. During the war she worked for one year in Omaha, Nebraska for Mutual of Omaha. She vividly remembered VE Day, with all the church bells ringing and the glorious celebrations.

Jeanne earned degrees from the University of Northern Iowa Teacher College

at Cedar Falls, Iowa and at Buena Vista College.

Teaching was Jeanne's passion. She touched the lives of many students in Rolfe, Storm Lake, and Schaller. Jeanne taught for over forty years before retiring from teaching in 1991.

It was through teaching that she met her future husband when she took her second-grade class to tour the radio station in Storm Lake. Jeanne married Harold Matthew Statz, well-known as Andy Lynn, on June 23, 1950 in Hawarden, Iowa. Jeanne and Andy had five children: Margaret Ann (Peg), Mark Steven, David Michael, Daniel Robert, and Thomas Patrick. Upon the death of Daniel, Jeanne and Andy happily accepted the role of raising their grandson, Tony.

Jeanne was an active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. She was a long-time member of Catholic Daughters of America, Guild, and the Prayer Line.

Jeanne enjoyed traveling. Among her many albums were photos from Europe, Taiwan, South Carolina and the Black Hills. But her biggest was family. She reveled in picnics, family gatherings, holidays and games.

Jeanne is survived by her children: Peg Nicolay of Germany; Mark Statz of Ames, Iowa; David (Teodora) Statz of Storm Lake, Iowa; Thomas (Winona) Statz of San Diego, California; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; extended family and friends.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

1238 600th St.
Storm Lake, IA 50588

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **26.** 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

SEP **26.** 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

KM

“ *To the Statz family, So sorry for your loss*



Kevin & Julie McKinney - September 25, 2024 at 10:09 PM

FH

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - September 25, 2024 at 12:30 PM

LF

“ *Leo and Betty Dahm Family purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Lois Jeanne Statz.*

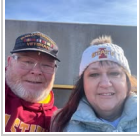


Leo and Betty Dahm Family - September 25, 2024 at 07:46 AM

PM

“ *"Mrs. Statz" was my other mother across the street all my growing-up years. She welcomed me daily into her home when I came over to play with Peg and her brothers. She delighted in her family. Trish Kearney Moe*

Patricia Moe - September 24, 2024 at 03:01 PM



“ *Sandy Robinson lit a candle in memory of Lois Statz*



Sandy Robinson - September 23, 2024 at 01:37 PM



“ *The best teacher there ever was. God bless and RIP*

Kevin thompson - September 23, 2024 at 11:37 AM



“ *Tammy Harnack purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Lois Jeanne Statz.*



Tammy Harnack - September 22, 2024 at 07:46 PM



“ *She was a wonderful teacher. My daughter Tammy, thought the world of her!*



Steven Harnack - September 22, 2024 at 07:32 PM

SA

“ *Sally lit a candle in memory of Lois Statz*



Sally - September 22, 2024 at 12:37 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Tribute Video*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - September 21, 2024 at 04:26 PM

LH

“ *Loring Hospital planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lois Jeanne Statz.*

Loring Hospital - September 20, 2024 at 11:54 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Lois Jeanne Statz.*



September 20, 2024 at 11:54 AM

GC

“ Grace Neuroth Casson lit a candle in memory of Lois Statz



Grace Neuroth Casson - September 19, 2024 at 09:01 PM

PF

“ Jean was such a kind and sweet lady. Eternal Rest Grant Unto Her O'Lord and Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Her. May she rest in peace.



Peg Flynn - September 19, 2024 at 05:49 PM

TS

Jean was such a joy to work with. Always smiling

Tamyah Stephens - September 20, 2024 at 10:23 AM

RF

A great teacher to my son. A wonderful Grandma. An avid reader to share books with. A kind, gracious, beautiful iron butterfly. A gift and privilege to have known her.

Ruth E Freese - September 20, 2024 at 01:14 PM

TH

Mrs. Statz was my second grade teacher in 1977. I absolutely adored her. She was my favorite teacher and absolutely changed my life. Sending love and light to your family during this difficult time.

Tammy Harnack - September 22, 2024 at 07:52 PM