



## Louise Gingerich

September 10, 1922 - March 14, 2022

Louise Gingerich, age 99, of Storm Lake, Iowa died on March 14, 2022 at the Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake.

Funeral services will take place Saturday, March 19, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at Grace Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. Burial will be in the Storm Lake Cemetery. Visitation will take place one hour prior to the service at the CHURCH. Cards to the family may be sent to Lyle Gingerich, 6693 Eagle Ridge Drive, Johnston, Iowa 50131. Memorials may be sent to Grace Lutheran Church, 1407 West 5th Street Storm Lake, Iowa 50588. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Louise was born on the family farm near Lotts Creek on September 10, 1922 to Arthur and Emma (Ohm) Dreyer. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and graduated from Fenton High School. She was united in marriage to Lester Gingerich on October 13, 1940 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Fenton, Iowa. They lived in several north Iowa communities before moving to Storm Lake, then Mason City, returning to Storm Lake in 1964.

Louise was an enthusiastic gardener and talented quilter. She was an active member of Grace Lutheran Church, the Garden Club, and taught English as a Second Language. Her love of helping others will be remembered as well as her laughter when gathering with family and friends. Louise enjoyed playing

cards, especially “500” and bridge with lifelong friends and co-workers at J.C. Penney’s. An avid reader, she also enjoyed doing crossword puzzles and jigsaw puzzles. Louise showed her daring spirit, when at age 76, she flew in a hot air balloon.

Louise is survived by 5 of her children, including Jeannette (Kent) Babcock, Urbandale; Beverly (Chuck) Clapsaddle, Clear Lake; Lyle (Diane) Gingerich, Johnston; Mary Lou (Dennis) Chappell, Rosemount, MN and Barbara Gingerich, Storm Lake; 9 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren. Also one sister, Emilyn Kitner, Clear Lake, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lester (1984), one daughter Ann (Gary) Vanora (2020), 2 grandchildren and a great grandson.

The family wishes to express appreciation for the kind and gracious care at Lake Pointe Villa and MMRC.

# Cemetery Details

## Storm Lake Cemetery

Storm Lake, IA 50588

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Grace Lutheran Church  
1407 W. 5th St.  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
<http://www.gracestormlake.com>

## Funeral Service

MAR 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

PR

“ You all moved in across the street from us in the 50's. Our Moms became friends for 40 some years when my Mom passed, I will always remember how kind your mother was and how much my Mom valued her friendship  
You all are in my prayers

*Pat (Nielsen) Richardson*

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**Pat Richardson** - April 12, 2022 at 08:55 PM

LM

“ Beverly, Chuck and family,

*My sincere sympathy to you at this sad time. I have fond memories of meeting Louise and visiting with her several times when I was in Storm Lake. She was a wonderful friend!*

*In her book, Healing After Loss, Martha Whitmore Hickman wrote, "In the weeks, months and years that lie ahead, you may find qualities and actions in your own lives which surprise you until you smile and think, 'I wonder. Yes, maybe that's a part of mom/Louise/grandma living in me.' "*

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**Linda Muth** - March 22, 2022 at 03:18 PM

FJ

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Fratzke & Jensen - March 18, 2022 at 04:00 PM

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“ Audrey Carpentee lit a candle in memory of Louise Gingerich



Audrey Carpentee - March 18, 2022 at 02:50 PM

PG

“ A CANDLE HAS BEEN LIT IN MEMORY OF LOUISE GINGERICH . MAY SHE RIP. TO HER FAMILY OUR SYMPATHY & PRAYERS. I REMEMBER HER WELL HAVING WORKED AT PENNY'S STORE AND LIVED ON ONEIDA ST. FOR MANY YEARS.



JOY, PEACE & LOVE, LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE

PATTY GUNVILLE - March 17, 2022 at 05:48 PM

RM

“ Louise will be remembered as a very lovely and kind lady. Sending our sincere condolences to her family. Rachel (Habeger) & Patrick Montag

Rachel & Patrick Montag - March 16, 2022 at 10:04 PM

PR

“ *Peg Rohlk lit a candle in memory of Louise Gingerich*



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**Peg Rohlk** - March 16, 2022 at 07:13 PM

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“ *Peg Harrington Flynn lit a candle in memory of Louise Gingerich*



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**Peg Harrington Flynn** - March 15, 2022 at 07:02 PM