



## Nola Claire Carlson

May 25, 1934 - October 3, 2023

Nola Carlson, age 89, of Storm Lake, Iowa died Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at Methodist Manor in Storm Lake.

Funeral services will take place Saturday, October 7, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. Burial will be in the Storm Lake Cemetery. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the funeral home in STORM LAKE. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Nola Claire (Meyer) Carlson was born in Sioux Rapids, Iowa May 25, 1934. Nola is the daughter of Albert "Bud" and Della (Berg) Meyer. Nola was baptized and confirmed In the Marathon United Methodist Church. She graduated from Marathon High School in 1952.

On July 26, 1953 she was united in marriage to Glen DeWayne Carlson in Marathon, Iowa. Nola and Glen made their home in Storm Lake, Iowa for several years, moved to Alta Iowa in 1969, before returning to Storm Lake in 1994. They had three children: Jocelyn, Scott, and Gregory.

Nola was an avid seamstress and enjoyed sewing for her family when they were young. She loved reading and always had a book by her chair or bedside. In her later years, she was interested in writing her family history and writing about Glen and other family members' service to their country. She enjoyed many hours of watching sporting events on TV. If a high school game wasn't on television, she made sure to listen to it on the radio. Attending her children and grandchildren's sporting events or concerts was always a highlight. Family was very important to Nola.

Nola loved taking pictures. It was evident when she moved into Otsego Place. Sorting through her home, her family found many boxes of pictures and photo albums. She really loved to tell a story by her pictures and her writings.

Nola was employed at the Alta Advertiser and Storm Lake Advertiser for several years

writing articles, helping with layout, and anything else that was needed.

Nola was a member of the Alta United Methodist Church, UMW, and Circle. She was a lifetime member of the Alta VFW Auxiliary 6172 and the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary Chapter 33 where she served as commander to several offices.

Seeing the need for girls' activities in the summers, Nola and her friend Marvel Rosdail pioneered and started girls softball in Storm Lake in 1968. Together they set to work finding coaches, knocking on business doors to find sponsors. Some people were reluctant, but eventually sold on the idea. They formed teams, scheduling fields, made schedules and rules, and made uniforms for the athletes.

Nola is survived by her daughter, Jocelyn (Leland) Bedell Maple Valley WA, sons, Scott (Colleen) Carlson Sergeant Bluff IA, Gregory (Doreen) Carlson, Ida Grove IA.

Grandchildren, Benjamin Bedell, Rebecca (Ocean Costello), and Elizabeth Bedell, Jeffrey (Rachel) Carlson, and Jason (Kat) Carlson, Trevor Carlson, Brittany (Jay) Liechti, Jordan Carlson, and 10 great grandchildren. One sister, Laura (Marlin) Weier, and many nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews; and a special friend: Gaylon Anderson.

Nola is preceded in death by her husband, Glen; parents: Albert and Della Meyer, brother Billie, (Charlotte) sisters Marlyss (Bill) Bryant and Nila (Rodney) Miller, parent in-laws Oscar and Blanche Carlson in addition to many nephews.

# Cemetery Details

## Storm Lake Cemetery

Storm Lake, IA 50588

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake  
1615 W Milwaukee Ave,  
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<https://www.fratzkejensen.com>

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# Tribute Wall

CD

“ Cheryl DeMan lit a candle in memory of Nola Carlson



Cheryl DeMan - October 18, 2023 at 10:15 AM

DE

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family! We are so sorry for your loss. Nola was a kind and thoughtful person with a soft soul. She was eager to talk about her family and so interested in learning about yours. She was a gift to this world. She will be missed. Dawn and Scott Engelman

Dawn (Schuler) Engelman - October 07, 2023 at 10:35 AM

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - October 06, 2023 at 05:46 PM

DH

“ What a nice lady! Her uncle lived with our family several years and worked for our dad. She was always good to invite him for Christmas gatherings. Later we enjoyed birthday parties for her uncle with her and her family. You have our deepest sympathy.



Duane/Eldona Hornor - October 05, 2023 at 05:13 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Nola Claire Carlson.



October 05, 2023 at 02:07 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Nola Clare Carlson.

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“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Nola Claire Carlson.



October 04, 2023 at 11:54 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nola Claire Carlson.



October 04, 2023 at 07:58 PM



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GB

“ My deepest sympathies go out to the Carlson Family on the passing of Nola ... I worked with Nola several summers with the Alta Advertiser newspaper and we had a blast ... she loved being in charge of selecting what items went into the "Way Back When" section each week, dusting off the old newspaper volumes and picking interesting newsy items from 25, 50 and 100 years ago ... she had a gentle spirit and a sweet funny laugh ... I look fondly on those days and give thanks I had a chance to work with her ... she was a special lady!

**Grant Burger** - October 04, 2023 at 02:27 PM

AS

“ Sympathy to all of you. Nola was my dear cousin we had many fun memories with you all. I'm so sorry for your loss hugs❤️

**ardis schuler** - October 04, 2023 at 02:16 AM

SG

“ Sure miss her at church. She always was upbeat. Good friend!

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**sue Geyer** - October 03, 2023 at 10:26 PM