



Carol Leiting

May 26, 1951 - June 17, 2014

Carol Leiting, 63, of Glidden, Iowa, died Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at her home north of Glidden surrounded by her family.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 21, 2014 at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church in Glidden. The Celebrant will be Fr. Lynn Bruch, assisted by Deacon Gary Schon. Music will be by Mary Ross and the parish choir with Mike Bolton as soloist. Lector's for the funeral mass will be Linda Downing and Mary Everding. Gift Bearers will be Carol's grandchildren: Everett, Ethan, and Joseph Hawkins, and Piper and Payson Downing. Eucharistic Ministers will be Louis Tigges and Mike Downing. Casket Bearers will be: Michael Armstrong, Scott Armstrong, Steven Armstrong, James Armstrong, Marty Crabbs, Merle Crabbs, Zachary Crabbs, Mark Crabbs, and Neil Myers. Burial will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at West Cemetery in Panora.

Friends may call at St. Elizabeth Seton Church on Friday after 5 p.m. where there will be a Christian Wake Service at 7 p.m. Visitation will resume at 9 a.m. on Saturday until time of the funeral mass.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be left at the church for the family of Carol Leiting and will be used for cancer research.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in

Carroll and online condolences may be left for Carol's family at www.sharpfuneral.com.

Carol Ilene (Crabbs) Leiting was born on May 26, 1951 in Manning, Iowa. She was the daughter of Bruce and Ilene (Lemke) Crabbs. She grew up in the Guthrie County area near Guthrie Center, Iowa, attending the country schools of Guthrie County and the Guthrie Center Grade and High School in Guthrie Center. She graduated in 1970. After graduation she married in 1972 and had six children. She was divorced in 1998. Carol worked at Rose Acres Farms and Sparky's in Guthrie Center and moved to the Glidden area in 1999. She worked as a caretaker at New Hope Village, and in the floral department at Hy-Vee in Carroll. She married Martyn Allen Leiting on June 2, 2001 at their home north of Glidden, Iowa and had 13 wonderful years together.

Carol loved to work in her flower gardens. She loved to restore old trunks and old furniture and creating new furniture from anything she could find. Carol liked scrapbooking, traveling, and watching the sunrise. She loved spending time with her children, and grandchildren.

She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and sister and her greatest joy was her entire family.

Carol is survived by her loving husband Marty Leiting of rural Glidden; six children: Chris (Johnnie) Downing of Guthrie Center, Jerri (Matt) Hawkins of Lonsdale, MN., Valerie Downing of Phoenix, AZ, Anne Downing of Des Moines, Beatrice Downing (fiancé Nick Radel) of Phoenix, AZ, Victoria Downing of Glidden; two step-children Cory Leiting of Sherburn, MN, and Lisa Leiting (finance Josh Tigges) of Carroll; five grandchildren, Everett, Ethan, and Joey Hawkins, Piper and Payson Downing; two sisters, Mary (Robert) Everding of Omaha, NE and June Armstrong of Omaha, NE; three brothers, Michael (Marge) Crabbs of Guthrie Center, Alan (Elaine) Crabbs of Maxwell, and Peter (Michele) Crabbs of Redfield; her brother-in-law, Arnie Myers of

Guthrie Center; her step-mother, Zella Crabbs of Des Moines; her step-sister, Toni Snider of St. Louis, MO; as well as many nieces, nephews, other extended relatives, and many friends.

Carol was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Cheryl Myers; two brothers: David and Danny Crabbs; her brother-in-law, Harold Armstrong; and her grandparents: Herman and Edna Lemke and Robert and Edna Crabbs.

Tribute Wall

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“ I didn't Know Carol Leiting , My sincerest condolences for your loss. John 5:28&29 holds out the hope of a Resurrection for those who have falle asleep in Death. Isaiah 25:8 states that our loving Heavenly father will swallow up Death forever and will certainly wipe tears from all Faces. I hope these scriptures are a comfort to the family.

Teri Morgan - June 22, 2014 at 05:59 PM

TH

“ Carol will be deeply missed but never forgotten. Her legacy lives on through her amazing family. Honor her!

TimH

Tim H - June 20, 2014 at 06:53 PM



“ Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carol Leiting.



June 20, 2014 at 01:45 PM

HC

“ May your family be comforted in the love and strength that all of you have shown throughout Carol's journey. Saddened by your loss, Helen Cass(Val's friend)

helen cass - June 20, 2014 at 12:50 PM

BJ

“ *My deepest condolences to you all. Please don't hesitate to ask for anything if you need it. Brooke Willenborg Johnson*

Brooke Willenborg Johnson - June 20, 2014 at 12:04 AM

JB

“ *You have my deepest sympathy. Carol was a wonderful and talented person. She brought dignity and respect to the people of New Hope and her gardening was exceptional. We were blessed knowing and working with her.*
God be with you
Jim Boyd

Jim Boyd - June 19, 2014 at 08:34 PM

BI

“ *Brighton Ridge Subdivision, Byron, IL purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Carol Leiting.*



Brighton Ridge Subdivision, Byron, IL - June 19, 2014 at 05:46 PM

ES

“ *I'm so very sorry to hear about carols passing. She has a very special place in my hart. Being an exchange student at age 16 she was my 'mom away from mom.'* My thoughts are with Carol and her family. Warm hug and love, Eefje

eefje smulders - June 18, 2014 at 10:52 PM



“ 11 files added to the album *Memories with MOM*



Jerri Downing Hawkins - June 18, 2014 at 09:43 PM

RB

“ Sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers to Carol and the family.

Rahni Brower - June 18, 2014 at 07:14 PM



Thank you Rahni.

Jerri Downing Hawkins - June 18, 2014 at 09:40 PM

CR

“ Victoria and family,

I am so very sorry to hear about your mom. I always enjoyed talking to her when you were in school and at Hy-Vee. She was always, always so helpful and kind. I have you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Cheryl Rohrbeck

Cheryl Rohrbeck - June 18, 2014 at 05:40 PM



Thank you Cheryl.

Jerri Downing Hawkins - June 18, 2014 at 09:40 PM



“ 13 files added to the album *Memories with MOM*



Jerri Downing Hawkins - June 18, 2014 at 05:27 PM

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“ *Carrie Irlbeck lit a candle in memory of Carol Leiting*



Carrie Irlbeck - June 18, 2014 at 03:11 PM

AE

“ *ALEX AND MARCIA ESPINOZA lit a candle in memory of Carol Leiting*



ALEX AND MARCIA ESPINOZA - June 18, 2014 at 09:52 AM

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*REST IN PEACE CAROL, WE LOVE YOU. YOU WERE THE LIGHT
OF MARTY'S LIFE.*

ALEX AND MARCIA ESPINOZA - June 18, 2014 at 09:54 AM