



Irene Kay Hilbert

June 17, 1944 - May 9, 2018

Irene Kay Hilbert, 73, of Spirit Lake passed away on May 9, 2018 at Lakes Regional Healthcare in Spirit Lake.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service on Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will take place in the St. Patrick's Catholic Church Cemetery in Estherville.

Irene was born on June 17, 1944 in Livermore, IA to Joseph and Doris Fern (Marlas) Ehrhardt. She graduated from Twin Rivers High School in Bode, IA in 1962. She was united in marriage to Robert Hilbert on April 20, 1962 in Livermore, IA. The couple made their home in Superior, raising their three children there. Bob preceded her in death on January 13, 2009 in Sioux Falls, SD. She later moved to Spirit Lake to be closer to family.

Irene worked for 10 years for Wadco Foods in Estherville, 25 years for Pure Fishing and retired from Cadre Teleservices in Terrill after 15 years.

The most important thing in Irene's life was first and foremost her grandchildren. She dedicated her time to them and had a special bond with them. She will be fondly remembered for kindness and truly being a selfless person always putting others first. Her coworkers enjoyed her many crock pots full of food she brought to them over the years. Irene was blessed with

the gift of gab and no one was a stranger to her. Her family and friends will miss her cards filled with stickers. In her later years she enjoyed adult coloring and sharing her pictures with her family and friends.

She is survived by her son Brian Hilbert of Independence, IA and his children Cory Hilbert and fiancée Lyda Kennicker and Matthew Hilbert; daughter Sonia (Bob) Erickson of Spirit Lake and their children Nicholas and Micayla Erickson; sisters Beulah Taylor of Fort Dodge; Mary Vaudt of Algona, IA; Monica Elsen of Fort Dodge, IA; Celeste Jamieson of Phoenix, AZ; and Annette Crouse of Pella, IA and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Bob, son Michael, siblings Ralph Ehrhardt, Wanda Mosely, Carolyn Weber, Paul Ehrhardt, Dick Ehrhardt, Barbara Hellickson

Cemetery Details

St. Patrick's Catholic Church Cemetery

Estherville, IA

Previous Events

Service

MAY 12. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Robinson Funeral Home

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Tribute Wall

CW

“ *Connie Wymer lit a candle in memory of Irene Kay Hilbert*



Connie Wymer - May 15, 2018 at 07:16 AM

DH

“ *So Sorry for your loss Sonia. Our church delivered groceries to your mom - we would always chat about your kids. She was so proud of them and your family. She would look forward to visits and meals together. We will share our prayers to you and your family.*

Deb and Paul Heidebrink

Deb and Paul Heidebrink - May 14, 2018 at 03:32 PM

JH

“ *Johnny Huntsinger lit a candle in memory of Irene Kay Hilbert*



Johnny Huntsinger - May 11, 2018 at 02:40 PM

DB

“ *Duane Brown lit a candle in memory of Irene Kay Hilbert*



Duane Brown - May 10, 2018 at 01:10 PM

SD

“ *Sonia, I am sorry for your loss. Mom's are special people. Hugs to you and your family.*

Sally Christensen DeLoss - May 10, 2018 at 01:01 PM

RE

“ *We set an all-time record for shopping at Wal-Mart with our visit beginning at 7:30 AM and ending at 10:45 AM. What great fun we had! RIP my dear friend. You are truly loved. Your pal, Ruth*

Ruth Eggers - May 10, 2018 at 10:55 AM

ME

You were a great friend to her Ruth!

Micayla Erickson - May 10, 2018 at 12:37 PM



“ *Matthew Hawn lit a candle in memory of Irene Kay Hilbert*

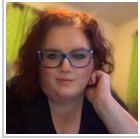


Matthew Hawn - May 10, 2018 at 01:25 AM



Sonia & family, I am so sorry for your loss. ❤️

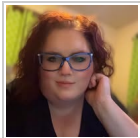
Matthew Hawn - May 10, 2018 at 01:26 AM



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Stephanie Napp - May 09, 2018 at 06:34 PM



“ *This absolutely broke my heart... I'm typing through a LOT of tears. Irene was a co-worker, a friend, she was like a grandma to all of us at Cadre, always making food for all of us... she would say it was leftovers but you know it was two crockpots full of food just for her Cadre family.... Irene and I talked on the phone often after we both left Cadre -- I will miss that friendship sooo much!! I am soo glad that she's not having to deal with any other health issues - such a strong woman!! I will miss talking about everything under the sun including recipes, her family - who she talked about often and loved greatly!!*

My heart goes out to all of you that are Irene's family. Praying that God wraps His arms around you in the form of family & friends just in the time it's needed. You will all always be in my thoughts and prayers. Keep her memory alive... share her stories - she had lots of them!! I love that woman dearly, she was like family to me... she will be missed dearly!!

-- Stephanie (Prince) Napp

Stephanie Napp - May 09, 2018 at 06:08 PM



Thats so beautiful Steph! Yes - Irene was a wonderful person from the little I got to know her at Cadre! Rest in Peace Irene!

LaVonne Tow - May 12, 2018 at 10:16 AM