



## Phyllis Cook

June 12, 1929 - March 29, 2022

Phyllis Ann Yager Cook, 92, of Littleton, CO, (formerly of Spirit Lake, IA), passed away on March 29, 2022, surrounded by her loving family.

Phyllis, born on June 12, 1929, to Ila and Amos Yager, immediately brought joy and laughter into the world. She was the youngest of five children raised on the Yager family farm in Excelsior, IA. Phyllis went on to graduate from Excelsior High School as valedictorian of her class in 1947. She also excelled in music, singing at state vocal contests, and in numerous school musicals; HMS Pinafore being her favorite.

Phyllis met and fell in love with Leonard (Lindy) Cook, of Terril, IA, after his return from WWII. They were wed in August of 1947. The two were inseparable from that point on. Phyllis and Lindy were married for 66 years and raised six children.

Phyllis was famous for both her baking and quilting. She was fondly known as the, “quilt lady”. Her quilts have lovingly reached across the country, just as her pies, cookies, cinnamon rolls, and brownies were at every school event, party, and picnic. She was also known for her infectious laugh and lighthearted sense of humor.

Phyllis was an extremely devoted mother. Family always came first and was above all else to her, a value she instilled in all those around her. Phyllis was a woman of great strength and was passionate about her faith. She and Lindy taught Sunday school for 23 years at the United Methodist Church of Spirit Lake, IA. She also sang in the choir, performed as a church soloist, and was

the children's choir director. The hole left by her absence will be impossible to fill.

Phyllis's favorite Bible verse: "but those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:31

Phyllis is survived by her six children, eight grandchildren, and five great grandchildren. As we mourn her passing, we also rejoice in her being reunited with her beloved, Lindy.

At her request, there will be no memorial service or funeral. Burial will take place in the Fairview Cemetery in Terril, IA. Arrangements are under the direction of the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Online condolences may be left at [www.spiritlakefuneralhome.com](http://www.spiritlakefuneralhome.com)

She wished to be remembered and acknowledged as a hardworking and loving mother. We ask that you please consider a donation in memory of Phyllis Cook to her childhood church: Excelsior United Methodist Church, C/O Karen LaCour, Treasurer, 2320 110th Ave, Lake Park, IA 51347.

# Cemetery Details

**Fairview Cemetery**

Terril, IA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robinson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Phyllis Cook*



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**Robinson Funeral Home** - April 05, 2022 at 10:13 AM

JK

“ *So sad to see Phyllis passed away! I so enjoyed her and Lindy coming to shop at the Fabric Warehouse in Spencer! What a gem of a lady with such a great sense of humor, and so incredibly talented! I am so lucky to have bumped into Phil last summer at the craft show at Treasure Village! I got a big hug from her, and we visited for a long while, and of course I bought a couple of her baby blankets! Lots of love and prayers to the family!*

*Julie Kourousis*

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**Julie Kourousis** - May 11, 2022 at 01:45 PM

AK

“ *I have so many memories of the chats we shared and the laughter. Such a beautiful woman inside and out. GOD bless you all. Arlene Krogman*

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**Arlene Krogman** - April 14, 2022 at 05:27 PM

JS

“ Our dear friends... It has been a joy to recall all the ways Phyllis touched our lives. Words can only begin to convey our sorrow for her passing. We know there is much joy in heaven, but as the tears flow on earth, may you find God's peace and comfort.



*From Jane and Les Streeb, Phyllis Madsen and Rachel and James Madsen*

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**Jane Madsen Streeb** - April 12, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ Kim and all the Cook family I am so sorry for your loss ! Know you mothers godlessness touched much more than you family!

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**Tiffany Moritz Tiedemann** - April 09, 2022 at 10:08 PM

KW

“ 45 files added to the album Memories Album



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**Kerri Wood** - April 02, 2022 at 01:25 PM

KB

“ *Kristi - I met your mom several times as a kid - I thought she was wonderful - she was approachable and kind. I'm so sorry that she is no longer with us (except in spirit, anyway).*  
*Kris Hamilton Bettin*

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**Kris Bettin** - March 31, 2022 at 05:31 PM

KS

“ *May the angels come to greet her.*



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**Kate Shaw** - March 31, 2022 at 02:41 PM

SJ

“ *Kristi and all of the Cook family we send our deepest condolences. May your wonderful memories carry you through this difficult time. No matter when they leave us it is never easy. Shawn & Jolene Fechter*

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**Shawn & Jolene** - March 31, 2022 at 02:21 PM

LB

“ *Linda Baltzegar lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Cook*



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**Linda Baltzegar** - March 31, 2022 at 01:13 PM

DB

“ I am so sad to hear about Phyllis. She was a breath of fresh air each time I saw her and her laugh was contagious. She is a memory from my childhood until the last time I saw her.

*My sympathy to her family.*

*Dayle Broocks*



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**Dayle Broocks** - March 31, 2022 at 10:13 AM

PB

“ A mother’s love is alive forever. In the lessons she taught, the patience she gave, and in the hearts of the children she raised. Our prayers go out to you in this time of great sadness.



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**Pete and Julie (Potter) Bergquist** - March 31, 2022 at 10:02 AM

SS

“ Her family is a legacy which will live on. Our sympathy to each of you children in the loss of your dear mother.

*Stan and Rhea Sybesma*

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**Stan Sybesma** - March 31, 2022 at 09:56 AM

AM

“ Our love and sympathy at the loss of your mother.

*Alan and Reba (Dodds) Munson*



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**Alan and Reba Munson** - March 31, 2022 at 09:38 AM

DB

“ *Deb Bockman lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Cook*



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**Deb Bockman** - March 30, 2022 at 10:21 PM

NR

“ *Sending thoughts and prayers in the loss of your mother. May you find comfort in your memories as you grieve. Heartfelt condolences to all of the Cooks.*

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**Nancy Radcliffe** - March 30, 2022 at 10:18 PM

VU

“ *Extending sympathy to the entire Cook family and especially our classmate Kristi.*

*On behalf of the SLHS Class of 1968.*

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**Vern Underwood** - March 30, 2022 at 08:17 PM

TM

“ *So sorry Kriste and families to hear of your mother's passing. She will be missed.*

*Terry and Mary Heidebrink*

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**Terry and Mary** - March 30, 2022 at 05:42 PM

KE

“ Dearest Cook Family ~

*It is with great sadness to hear of the loss of Phyllis. I had the privilege of having Phyllis and Lindy be my Sunday School Teachers growing up in the United Methodist Church Family. Their joy of music and teaching of God's way will never be forgotten. What a wonderful family they raised.*

*I SAID A PRAYER*

*I said a prayer for you today, although you didn't hear.  
I asked God to help you with your grief and to lessen your fear.  
May each day your grief become more bearable, and give you more peace of mind.  
You have lost a very special person who was to everyone so kind.*

*by Konnie Sue (Klein) Egertson*

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**Konnie Sue (Klein) Egertson** - March 30, 2022 at 03:49 PM



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**Robinson Funeral Home** - March 30, 2022 at 03:21 PM