



Trudy Hopton

June 16, 1936 - May 25, 2023

Trudy Hopton, 86, of Milford, passed away on Thursday, May 25, 2023, at her home in Milford, IA.

A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, June 15, 2023, at the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Milford. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Trudy's name and given to the Okoboji Summer Theater at 2001 US HWY 71, Okoboji, IA, 51355. Arrangements are under the direction of the Robinson Funeral Home in Spirit Lake, IA. Online condolences may be left at www.spiritlekefuneralhome.com

Trudy was born on June 16, 1936, the daughter of John and Agnes (Telford) Lippold in Spencer, IA. After graduating from high school, she furthered her education to become a Teacher at Loretta Heights Women's Catholic College. She taught school for 30 years doing what she loved, educating, and shaping the youth of pre-school and grade school age children. She was united in marriage to Norm Hopton on April 23, 1962, in Coronado, CA. He preceded her in death on February 17, 2001, in Spirit Lake.

In her free time, she enjoyed gardening, playing Mahjong, and listening to Big Band music. She treasured her time spent during the summer attending the Okoboji Summer Theater. She was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Milford.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Tom Hopton of Montegut, LA; Mary "Biz" (Brian) Crane of Huntington Beach, CA; brother John Lippold of CA; and her sister Bernie Manly of Okoboji, IA.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and her sister Mary Hale.

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN **15**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
1301 Okoboji Ave.
Milford, IA 51351

Tribute Wall

SR

“ Aunt Trudy will be missed by many. Her nephews used to call her the cookie lady as she always had cookies when they visited

Shari Remington - June 20, 2024 at 09:06 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Trudy Hopton.



June 12, 2023 at 04:49 PM

SH

“ I really enjoyed riding in Trudi's white Highlander to Monday night practices for Many Voices Choir for several years. We shared a passion for singing, education and family. I loved the stories she shared about Norm, Tom, and Biz. Audrey and I and others with whom she shared rides to practice had a lot of laughs and solved a few world problems. She was a generous, kind, and fun person!! I will cherish fond memories of rides with Trudi. Sincere condolences to her family. Sheryl❤️

Sheryl Hall - June 04, 2023 at 09:04 AM

DW

“ To Trudy's family: She was such a treasure. It won't be the same this summer at OST without her whit and big smile. I will miss her very much. Rest in peace Trudy!

Doris Welle - May 30, 2023 at 03:04 PM

EM

“ It was a pleasure getting to know and care for Trudy in her last months of life. She was so funny and interesting and always kept me on my toes. She had so many stories from the very full life she lived that I loved hearing from her. ❤️ I will miss her so much. My deepest sympathies, Biz and Brian.



Emily - May 30, 2023 at 01:06 PM

AJ

“ Trudy was one of my favorite people. I will miss her quick wit and bright smile.



Alesia Johnson - May 30, 2023 at 12:51 PM

KJ

“ Tom and Biz
Your mom was one of my best customers when I was at Okoboji Motors. Loved her smile and laugh so sorry for you loss.



Kaylene Jackson - May 30, 2023 at 08:09 AM

JW

“ Jess Wipf lit a candle in memory of Trudy Hopton



Jess Wipf - May 29, 2023 at 09:20 PM

AK

“ *Bernie and Family - so sorry for your loss. Trudy was a fantastic lady and I always loved talking with her when I worked at Hy-Vee Floral*

Amber Kollasch - May 28, 2023 at 12:07 AM

DP

“ *Darlene Powers lit a candle in memory of Trudy Hopton*



Darlene Powers - May 27, 2023 at 08:06 PM

AC

“ *Arnie & Matlene Caswell lit a candle in memory of Trudy Hopton*



Arnie & Matlene Caswell - May 27, 2023 at 05:49 PM

BS

“ *Beverly Sill lit a candle in memory of Trudy Hopton*



Beverly Sill - May 27, 2023 at 11:47 AM

KW

“ To a wonderful OST friend! May God bless your family at this difficult time

Kay Wilson - May 27, 2023 at 10:31 AM

TM

“ Hopton family and Bernie, so sorry to hear of Trudy's passing. She was a great neighbor when she and Norm lived on Big Spirit and she always stopped and spoke to you when she saw you. And she did like Terry's wine 🍷 !!
Mary and Terry Heidebrink

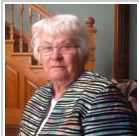
Terry and Mary - May 26, 2023 at 10:14 PM

MM

“ Blessings, Love, and Hugs to Trudy's Family at this difficult time. Trudy was a “Founding Mother” and integral part of our St. Joseph Arts Council, throwing her time and talents into preparing wonderful hors d'oeuvres and lovely settings for them at our concert receptions! She was a supporter of, and True Blessing to, so many aspects of music, art, and theatre in the Lakes Area. In addition, Trudy was a Good, Kind, Giving Person and Delightful Friend whose Life truly did Make a Wonderful Difference for so many people ~ she will be missed!



Molly Mulqueen - May 26, 2023 at 03:24 PM



“ Marlene Schmidt lit a candle in memory of Trudy Hopton



Marlene Schmidt - May 26, 2023 at 01:22 PM



“ *Dear Hopton family-I will certainly miss seeing Trudy at church and at the Dick Bauman Big Band. She was always a bright spot! You have my sympathies.*

Laura Hanna - May 26, 2023 at 11:56 AM