



Lois DeVries

February 6, 1938 - November 2, 2018

Lois DeVries, 80, Lennox, SD, died Friday, November 2, 2018 at Avera McKennan Hospital, Sioux Falls, SD.

Lois Joanne Roth was born on February 6, 1938, to Carl and Louise (Olson) Roth at Sisseton, SD. Lois grew up on a farm with her parents and four siblings. She attended country school and went on to graduate from Sisseton High School in 1955. After high school she moved to Minneapolis to work for the University of Minnesota Correspondence Study Program.

On June 1, 1957 she married Duane DeVries. The couple moved to Denver, CO, for one year and then returned to Sisseton where children, Carla and Marlyn were born. In 1961 the family moved to Duane's family farm near Worthing, SD. Here is where son, Glenn, was born. The couple milked cows, raised hogs and chickens and farmed. Lois helped with every aspect of the farming operation. Many years she raised, butchered and packaged over 300 chickens, which she sold for spending money. Lois grew a big garden from which she froze and canned the produce to be enjoyed by family and friends. Lois also worked at Tel Drug in Sioux Falls for 10 years, retiring in 2003.

Lois was an active and faithful member of Lennox Ebenezer Presbyterian Church where she taught Sunday School, taught Vacation Bible School and helped with VBS crafts and food. She worked with Stonecraft Ministries in many capacities for over 45 years. This work involved some traveling to speak at area Stonecraft clubs. Lois had been a 4-H Leader and enjoyed volunteering with RSVP. One of Lois' passions was cooking and trying new

recipes. She loved to share food and meals with many people. For the last 15 years, Lois and Duane spent winters in Arizona where Lois loved the warm weather.

Besides her parents, Lois was preceded in death by one son, Marlyn DeVries (2012), brother, Robert Roth (2018) and brother-in-law, Ervin DeVries (1993). Grateful for having shared her life are her husband of over 61 years, Duane; children: Carla (Alvin) Haan, Chancellor, SD and Glenn DeVries, Graham, TX; nine grandchildren: Amber (Derek) Heeren, Brandon (Erin) Haan, Trent Haan, Autumn Haan, Mandy (Jeff) Weller, Cody DeVries, Mark DeVries, Jacob DeVries and Zachary (Bree) DeVries; 11 great-grandchildren; siblings: Gene (Martha) Roth, New Effington, MN, Larry (Barb) Roth, Blaine, MN and Clarice Grajczyk, Sisseton; sisters-in-law: Doris Roth, Alexandria, MN, Ardell (Ken) Penny, Omaha and Ardith DeVries, Holland, MI, as well as other relatives and a host of friends.

Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, November 6 at Lennox Ebenezer Presbyterian Church with burial to follow at the Lennox Cemetery. Visitation with the family present, also at the church, will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, at Lennox Ebenezer.

Tribute Wall

SW

“ *Very sorry for your loss. She is a very loved woman.*

Shannon Watkins - November 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *I was a classmate with Lois. She was a sweet, gentle person. So sorry to hear of her passing. Sincere sympathy.*

Carol (Clott) Harris - November 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *I was saddened to read of Lois's passing. The last few years have been very difficult for her with the health issues and not really discovering the problem. She was such an active and contributing person in so many aspects. You have my thoughts and sympathy in the loss of your special loved one. Love and Prayers, Janell*

Dr Janell Christiansen - November 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ *Duane, Carla, Glenn and families - It was sad to hear the news of Lois passing. I have fond memories of her and I pray your family finds peace and comfort during this difficult time.*

Glenda (Johnson) Sterling - November 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *Duane and family we were so happy to be able to see Lois's Service on line.. Like Lois her service was beautiful and I pray her message touched others. We were very blessed to know both Duane and Lois, you are in our prayers.*

Kevin & Linda Hebert - November 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *My sincere and greatest sympathy on the passing of Lois An outstanding woman who truly will be missed*

Brian R Lind - November 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. The entire family is in our prayers.*

Anita and Greg Bloom - November 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *My sympathies are with all family. I worked with and for Lois at Tel Drug years ago and felt bad when she retired, but, I was retiring the next year. We became good friends and shared our faith. When my husband went to be with his Lord in 2016, she was at his funeral. Unfortunately I can't be at hers. What a wonderful friend she was.*

Beverly Callison - November 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *Sorry to hear about Lois. She was a kind cousin. Always took time to chat at family gatherings. Showed care about people!*

Larry Olson & Wendy - November 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *So sorry for your loss.*

Carolyn Randel - November 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

VL

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all the family.*

Vonnie Larson - November 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Glenn and family, I am so sorry for your loss. It has been too many years since we have talked, feel free to contact me. Prayers for all

Debbie Williamson - November 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Thoughts and Prayers are with all the family.

Joan Brown - November 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

WN

“ will miss your smile!

William Nordstrom - November 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ We loved Lois so much! She was such a blessing to the ladies at the Friday Bible Study who met at The Bakery and later at Arby's! All of us at Immanuel PCA loved both Duane and Lois and looked forward to them come to Arizona for the wingers! Please know that Duane and all of her family are in our prayers! May God give you His comfort and peace as you rest in the love of Jesus!!

Paul and Nelvia Weg - November 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Keeping you and your family our thoughts and prayers. Sorry for your loss.

Mike & Peggy Bruns - November 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ I am so sorry to hear this. We are rejoicing with Lois as she is now in Glory with Jesus. Praying for all of you as you cherish your memories. Lois will be greatly missed. She was such a sweet neighbor! We are in Arizona now & won't be able to attend her service in person but we will be present in spirit. Hugs & -

Jeff & Sally Goeman - November 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ I have been in the "Lois" club with Lois for many years - since January, 2007 and had really gotten to know her quite well. I think that we had become closer in friendship because we had each had eye surgery 6 plus years ago and spent time talking about this. She was one of my favorite people in our club and always looked forward to seeing her at our meetings in Sioux Falls. I would miss her when she did not come to club. I am so sorry to hear about her passing away and want to extend my deepest sympathy to you - her family. I got a notice from Judy Finnell who is a friend of mine in Lennox. I know that Lois Wiese had called her recently about our meeting this past Tuesday night - October 30th - and she said that she would not be able to attend because she was not feel very good. Love and Prayers to each of you.

Lois Polfus - November 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Duane and family during this very difficult time. I always enjoyed Lois during our times together at the Lost Dutchman RV Park in Arizona. With deepest Sympathy.

Pauline Ellefson - November 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Duane and family, Our deepest sympathies and heartfelt condolences on the immense loss of dear Lois. Please know you will be in our thoughts and prayers in the difficult days and months ahead. May you find comfort and strength from those God sends your way to provide "Jesus with skin on". Love and hugs. Jan & Dallas,

Jan and Dallas Larson - November 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM