



## Lois Geiken

July 28, 1928 - June 5, 2017

Lois Geiken, 88, formerly of Canistota and Sioux Falls passed away Monday, June 5, 2017 at Mayo Healthcare in Eau Claire, WI. Lois was born on a farm east of Menno, SD to Chris and Effie (Jensen) Andersen. Lois's elementary education was in a country school, and she graduated from Hurley High School, where she was very active as a member of the drill team and performed during half-time varsity games; she also performed as a baton twirler with the marching band. While in high school, Lois met Gerhard Geiken while roller skating at Wall Lake. On January 28, 1949 they were married at the Ebenezer Presbyterian Church in Lennox, SD in a double wedding with Gerhard's sister Albertha and George Albers. Gerhard and Lois went to work at Morrels. In 1952, Gerhard was drafted to the Marines, and they were stationed in Barstow, CA. until 1954. Following Gerhard's honorable discharge, they settled again in South Dakota and starting farming near Lennox. In 1959, they moved to a farm in the Canistota area, where Lois took an active part, helping Gerhard with day to day farming operations. Gerhard and Lois were members of the First Reformed Church in Monroe, SD., where they were very active members, helping wherever was needed. Lois was a catechism teacher for several years, and also became catechism superintendent. She was also a member of the extension club, called the Busy Doers. Lois later became a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Sioux Falls. They remained in Canistota until Gerhard's death in April, 1995. Lois then moved to Sioux Falls, SD, and worked at Hy-Vee on

49th St, transferring to the Hy-Vee on 26th and Marion Rd. in 2000. She worked at Hy-Vee for 16 years and loved her job dearly. She made many very special friends among the employees and customers. Lois is survived by her four children: Gary (Sharon), Carol (Gary), Gayla Harder (Jeff Durkee), and Lorie Mullins; son-in-law, Rick Harder; seven grandchildren: Kyle Preston, Krista Geiken, Lindsay Pruett, Stephanie Harder and Andrew Harder, Lance Geiken and Kalsey Harrison; four great-grandchildren: William Geiken, Liam Brewer, Adalynn and Isaac Harrison; brothers Gene Andersen (Audrey) and Larry Wallace (Mary), sisters-in-law: Albetha Albers, Joyce Uhe, Jen Schmidt and Grace Geiken, as well as many other special friends and relatives. Lois is preceded in death by her husband, Gerhard, her parents, and her nephew Greg Andersen. Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 10 at Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home, Lennox with burial to follow in the Lennox Cemetery. Visitation with the family present will be 5 to 7 p.m. Friday also at Dindot-Klusmann.

# Tribute Wall

JM

“ So sorry for your loss. I always enjoyed being around Lois. She was a nice lady. Sorry I was not able to make the service, but I am thinking about you on this sad day.

Judie Johnson Myers - June 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Dear Gayla and family,  
Your Mother was a great Lady and we will all miss her. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Love Stu and Jeanne

jeanne seftar - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Lois touched many lives, she was a great person, who will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mary Watson

Mary Jane Watson - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ My condolences to my family. Aunt Lois will be missed dearly. She was a sweetheart and a heart of gold. Hugs and prayers Gary Carol Gayla Lori â Thinking of you guys Love you all so much â

Lynnette Egland - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May you find comfort and hope in the Bible promise of a resurrection found in Acts 24:15 “And I have hope toward God, which hope these men also look forward to, that there is going to be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous” and at John 5:28 “Do not be amazed this, for the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out” How thankful we can be for the sure hope of seeing our dear loved ones again.

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**Sharon** - June 07, 2017 at 12:00 AM