



Harriette Ruth Peetz

October 11, 1926 - April 16, 2024

Harriette Ruth (Penke) Peetz was born on October 11, 1926 to Herman and Alma (Stender) Penke on a farm near Gretna, Nebraska. She attended country school and graduated from Bennington High School in 1944. She was active in pep club, was a cheerleader, and always completed her chores at home.

Harriette was baptized and confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church near Bennington. Harriette married Donald Peetz on November 15, 1947 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Elkhorn, Nebraska, and to this union four daughters were born: Donna, Kathy, Barb, and Brenda. Don and Harriette raised their family on a farm near Washington. They had a sale in 1951 and moved to Bennington until 1980. They then moved to Omaha at Maplewood Estates.

Harriette provided ironing services for work when her children were young. After that she waitressed at various places in Bennington. Harriette then went to work at the Montgomery Wards Buffeteria until they closed. Before its closing, Harriette moved upstairs to the receiving department; she worked there until her retirement after 25 years.

When she wasn't working, Harriette loved to garden, admire her flowers, go fishing, play cards, and dance. Don and Harriette enjoyed traveling to

Minnesota and took frequent trips for over 35 years. They were season ticket holders of Nebraska football for many years. Harriette was very dedicated to her family. She loved to follow the grandchildren and great grandchildren in their activities. She also belonged to the Girlee Club, and the American Legion Post #266 Auxiliary.

Harriette is preceded in death by her husband, Donald; parents, Herman and Alma (Stender) Penke; and sisters, Margaret Paasch and Edna Meyer. She is survived by her children: Donna (Bob) Schmidt, Kathy (Dick) Sigler, Barb (Ron) Kruse, and Brenda (Marvin) Blacketer; and several grandchildren and great grandchildren. All services will take place at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bennington, Nebraska. The visitation will be held Monday, April 22, 5PM to 8PM. The funeral service will be held Tuesday, April 23 at 10:30AM. Memorials are suggested to Legion Post #266 or St. John's Lutheran Church.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Hill Cemetery

345 S 132nd S
Omaha, NE 68154

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **22**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. John's Lutheran Church
322 N Molley St
Bennington, NE 68007

Funeral Service

APR **23**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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322 N Molley St
Bennington, NE 68007

Tribute Wall



“ *Reichmuth Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Harriette Ruth Peetz*



Reichmuth Funeral Home - April 17, 2024 at 04:36 PM

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“ *Love, The Duchek Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Harriette Ruth Peetz.*



Love, The Duchek Family - April 19, 2024 at 04:17 PM

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“ *Mark and Debbie Uden purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Harriette Ruth Peetz.*



Mark and Debbie Uden - April 19, 2024 at 01:24 PM