



A Cherished Mother and Grandmother

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You are and were, and will forever be
You loved us throughout a lifetime
And we'll love you throughout eternity

As children, you were our Mom and our strength
The force upon which we relied
You helped us grow through life's laughter and tears
And you always stood by our side

You were so strong and worked so hard
To take good care of us
Hours spent...Such time we cannot comprehend!
Proved your faithful devotion to us

And when we brought our own children home
Your commitment only grew
You helped them, played with, and loved them
As only a Grandmother can do


And our children...They came to adore you!
For you spoiled them with love and affection
You treasured each one in such special ways
There are too many examples to mention

And though they were denied more days and years
With a Grandmother as wonderful as you
You've filled their hearts with sweet memories
That'll remain a whole lifetime through

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Dearest Mother and Grandmother, we love you!
We find we cannot do enough
To express the depths of our gratitude
For your sacrifice and your love

But trust that you'll be remembered
In sweetest memories every day
For you have blessed our lives forever
Through your goodness, love and strength!



*Norma Jean
Hook*



*March 18, 1937
October 19, 2020*

Norma Jean Hook, 83, a resident of Arlington Place of Grundy Center, passed away on Monday, October 19, 2020, of natural causes. Visitation for Norma will be held on Saturday, October 24th from 11:30 until the time of the funeral service at 1:00 PM at Colfax Center Presbyterian Church in rural Holland, Iowa. Interment will follow services at the church cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the family, where they will donate to a charity of their choice at a later time. Memories of Norma and messages of condolence may be left for the family at www.abelsfuneralhomes.com

Norma was born March 18, 1937, in Grundy County, Iowa, daughter of Henry & Reka (Pothast) Itzen. She grew up in Grundy County, where she attended Palermo Rural No. 3 Country School and graduated from Grundy Senior High School in Grundy Center. On October 24, 1956, Norma was united in marriage to Dennis Hook at the American Lutheran Church in Grundy Center.

Dennis and Norma lived in Des Moines from October 1956 to May 1957, where Dennis went to TV school and Norma worked at the Blue Cross/Blue Shield office. They moved to Waterloo until 1961, where Norma was a check-in girl at Varsity Cleaners. They lived on a farm in Lincoln Township until 1971, when they moved to the farm place by Holland. Later, in 1994, Norma and Dennis moved to Grundy Center, where they lived at 1503 Canterbury Circle.

She became a member of Colfax Center Presbyterian Church on April 2, 1961. Norma taught Sunday School, helped with Bible School, was a part of the Pioneer Club, sang in the choir, was a youth sponsor, part of Christian Educations, and also part of the Mariners young couple's groups.

Norma enjoyed working outside and taking care of her flowers and her lawn. She enjoyed being with her family and she loved to go to activities that her grandchildren were involved in; their ball games-baseball, football, soccer, and basketball.

Norma is survived by her 3 children, Brenda (Terry) DeBoer of Hampton, IA, Bryon (Lori) Hook of Holland, IA and Julaine (Brian) Bidleman of Fort Dodge, IA; 7 grandchildren Jared (Melissa) DeBoer, Kyle (Michelle) DeBoer, Brent Hook, Trevor Hook (Ashlen Damm), Brady (Madi) Hook, Rayni Bidleman and Cayci Bidleman; 9 great-grandchildren Sophia & Jack DeBoer, Blake DeBoer, Aiden, Addison, Alexander and Aysen Hook and Tucker & Beckett Hook; sister Minetta Tjepkes of Grundy Center; and sister-in-law Shirley Huesman.

She rejoins in Heaven her parents; husband Dennis; granddaughter Megan Hook; and brothers-in-law Arnold Tjepkes and LeRoy Huesman.

Forever In Our Hearts **Norma Jean Hook**

Sunrise

March 18, 1937
Grundy County, Iowa

Sunset

October 19, 2020

Funeral Service

Saturday, October 24, 2020
1:00 PM

Colfax Center Presbyterian Church
Rural Holland, Iowa

Officiating

Pastor Luke Wolfe

Words of Remembrance

Julaine Bidleman

Pianist

Carol Krull

Congregational Hymn

“Does Jesus Care”

Special Recorded Music

“I Will Talk To My Father For You”

Recorded by Norma's daughter, Julaine

“One Day At A Time”

Casket Bearers

Jared DeBoer Kyle DeBoer

Brent Hook Trevor Hook

Brady Hook Rayni Bidleman

Cayci Bidleman

Ushers

Chuck Thoren Paul Smit

Interment

Colfax Center Presbyterian
Church Cemetery

Please join Norma's family for a light meal in the church Fellowship Hall, following the committal service. Those who don't wish to go to the cemetery, may go to the basement, and wait for the family to return.