



**Dee Etta K. Hollatz, 77**, of Garner, passed away Friday, May 31, 2024, at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center in Mason City.

Dee Etta Kay Hollatz, the daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Coe) Legler, was born on February 16, 1947, in Mason City. She was baptized and confirmed at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Dee graduated from Mason City High School in 1965 and Mankato State University in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. She taught in Albert Lea for a year and then elementary school in Hanlontown. On July 24, 1970, she married Michael "Mike" Hollatz at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. They lived on a farm near Ventura where they raised their family. Once her children were old enough for school, she began working at the Ventura Public Library and as a substitute teacher at the elementary school. Dee worked at Opportunity Village in Clear Lake, now known as One Vision, from 1991 to 2011 in many positions including assistant manager at the store, working in the activity center, and as an aide in the cottages. She was recognized as an outstanding employee at One Vision, receiving the Tom Thornblad Award. In 2004, Dee and Mike moved into Garner. She enjoyed her family, reading, cooking, baking, gardening, guilting, and volunteering as a reading buddy at the school.

She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church and the Morning Guild.

Dee is survived by her husband, Mike of Garner; three children, Angela (Mike) Carver of Cedar Rapids, Matthew (Rachel) Hollatz of Mason City, and Bradley (Jodie) Hollatz of Grimes; grandchildren, Ellie (Kyle) Wright, Colton and Ava Carver, Olivia Hollatz, Stevie DeVries, Paige and Michael Hollatz; two sisters, Roseann Boehnke of Garner and Arla Murray-Juhl of Mason City; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers-in-law, Francis Murray, Steve Juhl and Mark Boehnke; and niece, Mary Graham.

Memorials may be directed to St. John's Lutheran Church.

# Dee Etta K. Hollatz

February 16, 1947 - May 31, 2024

## **FUNERAL SERVICE**

St. John's Lutheran Church – Garner, Iowa 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, June 5, 2024

# **OFFICIATING**

Pastor Mark Lund

## **MUSIC**

LeAnne Buns, Organist

Congregational Hymns

"Abide With Me"

"Amazing Grace"

"When Peace Like A River"

# **USHERS**

Jack Toppin Gene Toppin Neal Woiwod

# **HONORARY BEARERS**

Ava, Ellie, Paige, Michael, Olivia and Stevie

## **CASKET BEARERS**

Mike Carver Dan Boehnke Jesse Pals Colton Carver Matt Graham Chris Cash

## **BURIAL**

St. John's Lutheran Cemetery Garner, Iowa

The family invites everyone to a luncheon in the church basement immediately following the committal service at the cemetery.

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