

In Loving Memory
Marlys O. Petersen

Kindness is a virtue
given by the Lord,
It pays dividends in happiness
and joy is its reward...

For, if you practice kindness
in all you say and do,
The Lord will wrap His kindness
around your heart and you...

And wrapped within His kindness
you are sheltered and secure,
And under His direction
your way is safe and sure.

—Helen Steiner Rice



March 20, 1939 ~ March 15, 2021

Marlys O. Petersen, a long time resident of Reinbeck, Iowa passed away peacefully on March 15, 2021, at Parkview Manor in Reinbeck. Marlys was born on March 20, 1939, in Malcom, Iowa, to Edna Mae Meldrum and Ernest Story. At about age ten she and her parents moved to Morrison, Iowa. She attended school in Morrison and then attended High School in Reinbeck from 1952-1956. She met and married Larry (Buck) Petersen. They were married for 64 years and inseparable for 67 years.

In approximately 1964 they moved to Southern California where they lived for 30 years where Marlys worked as a Bookkeeper and Secretary. They raised four children together before moving back to Iowa in 1994. Marlys worked for Grundy County Conservation Board. She was passionate about cooking, her teapot collection, Christian Women's Group, books, and sewing. Her true joy was her family.

Marlys is survived by her husband, Buck, of Reinbeck, her daughter and son in law, Lori & Dave of Huntsville, AL, son and daughter in law, Craig & Jamie, of Reinbeck, daughter and son in law, Linda & James, of Phoenix, AZ, 15 grandchildren; Sarah & Jake, Travis & Candyce, Jackie, Michael, Drew, Jasmine, Rhianne, Ashleigh, Logan, Olivia, Bella, Porter, and Cooper, and three great granddaughters; Reagan, Noelle, and Penny. She is preceded in death by her mother, father, son, Darryl, and infant grandson. Marlys leaves behind her many beloved friends and extended family.

Marlys lived a full and rich life and gave happiness to everyone around her. A loving mother, good friend, and dedicated wife, she will be missed tremendously by her family and the many friends and communities that share her interests.

Celebrating the Life of Marlys O. Petersen

Born

March 20, 1939

Malcom, Iowa

At Rest

March 15, 2021

Reinbeck, Iowa

Funeral Service

10:30 A.M.

Saturday, March 20, 2021

Union Congregational United

Church of Christ

Reinbeck, Iowa

Officiating

Rev. Bob Fread

Organist

Brian Scheumann

Musical Selections

“Amazing Grace”

Performed By: Susan Boyle

“How Great Thou Art”

Performed By: Carrie Underwood

“In The Garden”

Performed By: Anne Murray

Inurnment

Reinbeck Cemetery

Reinbeck, Iowa