



## Betty French

September 16, 1944 - February 23, 2026

Betty I. French, 81 of Kearney passed away Monday, February 23, 2026 at her home. Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 20, 2026 at New Life Church in Kearney.

Memorials are suggested to the Humane Society. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Betty was born September 16, 1944 in Dodge County, Nebraska to Luceal Springgate and adopted in 1950 by Lawrence and Fern (O'Connel) Larson. Betty grew up in Welfleet, NE and graduated from Maywood High School in 1963. After graduation, she attended beauty school for one year. She worked as a secretary for the State of Nebraska for 23 years until her retirement in 1996.

Betty was united in marriage to Charles Fletcher on June 11, 1966. This union was blessed with four children. The couple later divorced. On August 30, 1980, Betty married Robert French and the couple later divorced.

Betty was a member of New Life Assembly Church in Kearney. She loved music and played in country bands for about 30 years. She enjoyed bible studies, playing cards, fishing and being a foster grandparent.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Roger (Donna) Fletcher of Omaha, NE, Lynn (Melissa) Fletcher of Ralston, NE, Jolene Hinojasa of Kearney, NE, and Kelly Fletcher of Kearney, NE; 16 grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; sister, Grace Tracy of Grand Island, NE; brothers, Terry Springgate of Omaha; as well as several nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her biological and adoptive parents; and brothers, Jim Bently and Bernard Larson.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAR **20**. 10:30 AM (CT)

New Life Church  
2715 W 39th St  
Kearney, NE 68845-8243  
(308) 234-1881

# Tribute Wall

KB

“ We enjoyed visiting and catching up with Betty, when we would pick her up for church. She was a dear sweet lady and will be missed so much. Thankful she is no longer suffering and is rejoicing in Heaven

Kelvin and Dawn Bayne - March 11 at 04:33 PM

BE

“ Brad, Amy, and Lleyton Edgar purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Betty French.



Brad, Amy, and Lleyton Edgar - March 09 at 12:08 PM

CF

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Chandler Fletcher - March 03 at 10:55 AM

JH

Such a beautiful picture of 4 generation's of family. I love you mom and we all miss you beyond any words can describe.

Jolene Hinojosa - March 16 at 12:23 PM

CF

“ Hope you are looking down and are proud. Until next time. Love yah grandma!

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**Chandler Fletcher** - March 03 at 10:43 AM