



Claire J. Longly

November 18, 1953 - July 25, 2019

Claire Longly, 65
Kearney resident

Claire Jo Longly, age 65, passed away Thursday, July 25, 2019 at Remington Heights Assisted Living in Omaha, NE surrounded by her loved ones, after her battle with brain cancer. A Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 31, 2019 at Prince of Peace Catholic Church in Kearney. Father Paul Colling will celebrate. Interment will be held at the Kearney Cemetery at a later date. The family will receive friends 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Claire was born on November 18, 1953 in Central City, Nebraska to Mike and Genevive (Steinke) Harris, the third of five children. Growing up in Clarks, Nebraska and graduating from Clarks High School in 1972. She married Gordon Schott on July 25, 1970 and to this union four children were born. She met Nick Longly in 1983 and they were married on September 9, 1996. Nick lost his battle to cancer in 2011.

In her younger years she enjoyed raising her kids on the farm near Clarks and began her waitressing career at the Lincoln Manor Steakhouse in Central City. She moved to Kearney, Nebraska in 1982 where she continued waitressing at the Fort Kearney Inn and at Nick's Place. In 1984 Claire and Christine Wadas opened The Lodge Restaurant in Kearney which eventually became Nick and Claire's business of thirty years. In 2014 Claire moved to Fullerton, Nebraska with the excitement of a new grandchild on the way. She was working at Reimer's Pharmacy and Pappy's Place up until her diagnosis on June 28, 2019.

Claire was an avid reader and thoroughly enjoyed taking many adventurous trips with her family. She was known for hopping in the car to go visit with family and friends or to attend as many of her grandchildren's activities as she could. Her selflessness was one of her strongest characteristics, along with kindness, loving unconditionally, a strong work ethic, and her genuine spirit.

Left to cherish her memory are three of her four children, Jeremy (Joy) Schott of Burwell, Nebraska, Megan (Eric) Dubas of Fullerton, Nebraska, and Travis Schott of Kearney, Nebraska; grandchildren, Gavyn and Jenna Schott, and Keila, Reese and Brandt Dubas; son-in-law, Rustin Hughes of Fort Collins, Colorado; siblings, Charlene Wobig of Monterrey, California, Jim (Nancy) Harris of Lincoln, Nebraska, Robbie (Fred) McHargue of Largo, Florida, and Mickey (Darrell) Eggli of Aurora, Nebraska; brothers-in-law, Tom Longly of Lexington, Nebraska, Jim (Patricia) Longly of Lexington, Nebraska; sisters-in-law, Sharon (Terry) Jorgensen of Lexington, Nebraska and Deb (Ryan) Berggren of Stromsburg, Nebraska; and many nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Mike and Genevive Harris; her husband, Nick Longly; and her daughter, Brandy Lyn (Schott) Hughes.

Previous Events

Family receiving friends

JUL **30**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
4115 Ave N
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 234-3500
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Mass of Christian Burial

JUL **31**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Prince of Peace Catholic Church
2407 W. 56th Street
Kearney, NE 68845

Tribute Wall



“ *Claire J. Longly*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Claire was a sweetie! I wish she could have been wiith us longer and my thoughts and prayers are with her family. I have wonderful memories of The Lodge which was one of our favorite dining spots. She will be missed but not forgotten- Lynn Brewster*

Lynn Brewster - August 06, 2019 at 01:36 PM



“ *Claire was a beautiful lady inside and out. She had a gift for making every customer at The Lodge feel like the most important one of the day! My family and I are priviledged to have known her.*

Carol Anderson - July 31, 2019 at 10:32 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Claire J. Longly.*



July 31, 2019 at 08:19 AM

VE

“ Vintage Title & Escrow purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Claire J. Longly.



Vintage Title & Escrow - July 30, 2019 at 05:20 PM

MH

“ Claire was a wonderful sweet person that was always so great to our mother. Rest In Peace. Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Her

Mary Jo Brennan Hill - July 30, 2019 at 12:37 AM

LN

“ We got to know Claire when our daughter worked for them. She worked her way through college by working at the Lodge. Nick and Claire were so good to her and even gave her a cruise vacation which they had won. Clair was a special person, always so caring.

Lynn and Linda Nelson - July 29, 2019 at 08:46 PM

ML

“ Claire was a very wonderful person, my wife and I ate at the Lodge 15 years before moving to Arizona. She always greeted us with a smile when we arrived so sorry to hear of her passing. Merle & Carol Lyons Phoenix,AZ

merle & carol lyons - July 29, 2019 at 07:46 PM

DS

“ I shared early years in Clarks and later years in Kearney with Claire. She was always genuine and one of the hardest workers ever. She was a blessing to all who were lucky enough to know her.
Diane Douglas Sutko

Diane Sutko - July 29, 2019 at 12:19 PM

TR

“ The Harris boys and Families Jim; Matt and Ryan purchased the Tranquil Seas for the family of Claire J. Longly.



The Harris boys and Families Jim; Matt and Ryan - July 29, 2019 at 10:26 AM

YS

“ Your Friends at The Platte Generating Station purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Claire J. Longly.



Your Friends at The Platte Generating Station - July 29, 2019 at 08:31 AM

YF

“ Your Lodge Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Claire J. Longly.



Your Lodge Family - July 28, 2019 at 10:05 PM

DD

“ Doe D. purchased the *Blue Caribbean Bouquet* for the family of *Claire J. Longly*.



Doe D. - July 28, 2019 at 08:20 PM

BM

“ I'm so sorry to hear about *Claire Jo's* sudden passing. *Claire* was a wonderful person--she was always so kind to *Grandma Lillie* and helpful to our family when my mom was sick. I will never forget her selflessness and generosity. Sending all my love to your family!
Brooke McGee

Brooke McGee - July 28, 2019 at 08:16 PM

BM

“ *Brooke McGee* purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of *Claire J. Longly*.



Brooke McGee - July 28, 2019 at 08:10 PM



“ *Sunny Memories* was purchased for the family of *Claire J. Longly*.



July 28, 2019 at 01:21 PM

MA

“ Claire Jo was a close childhood friend. So sorry her life was cut short. Sorry for your loss. Mary Bittinger Anderson

Mary Bittinger Anderson - July 27, 2019 at 10:57 PM

JM

“ JoAnn Steinke Marshall lit a candle in memory of Claire J. Longly



JoAnn Steinke Marshall - July 27, 2019 at 04:07 PM

AK

“ Words can't express how saddened we are to hear of Claire's passing. May our condolences bring comfort and our prayers ease the pain.



Anita and Dave Kucera - July 27, 2019 at 02:56 PM

JJ

“ To all of Claire's family....As a cousin of Claire Jo's,I am so saddened by what has happened,and she will forever be in my heart...and thoughts! She was a wonderful person,and always fun to be with. SO enjoyed all our times together.... Thinking of all of you...Take care.... you have a wonderful angel walking beside you now! love Jennie and family

Jennie Jacobs - July 27, 2019 at 12:52 PM

JJ

“ *Jennie Jacobs lit a candle in memory of Claire J. Longly*



Jennie Jacobs - July 27, 2019 at 12:42 PM

TF

“ *The Poston family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Claire J. Longly.*



The Poston family - July 27, 2019 at 12:10 PM

MK

“ *Claire was one of the sweetest people I ever knew. She was a blessing to everyone!*
Mary Kulhanek



Mary Kulhanek - July 26, 2019 at 10:58 PM

JJ

“ *So sorry to hear of Claire's passing; she was a very neat and classy lady, and took very good care of my parents at the Lodge.*

Jim Ganz Jr - July 26, 2019 at 07:33 PM

TG

“ *Tammey & Gene lit a candle in memory of Claire J. Longly*



Tammey & Gene - July 26, 2019 at 01:57 PM