



## Donna Foster

January 22, 1925 - August 28, 2012

Donna R. Foster, 87, of Kearney died Tuesday, August 28, 2012 at Mother Hull Home in Kearney. Funeral services will be 10:30 A.M., Friday, August 31, 2012 at the St. James Catholic Church with the Reverend Joe Hannappel officiating. Interment will be at 3:00 P.M., Friday at the Fort McPherson National Cemetery in Maxwell, NE. Visitation will be 5-7 Thursday at the church followed by a Prayer Vigil starting at 7:00 P.M. Online condolences may be submitted to [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home of Kearney. Donna Foster, a long-time resident of Kearney, died peacefully Tuesday, August 28, 2012, at the age of 87. Born in 1925 in Petersburg, Nebraska, she was the second of eleven children born to John Krause and Rose (Raemaker) Krause. She married Harold Foster on April 21, 1949. After graduation from Elgin High School, she went on to graduate from St. Francis School of Nursing School in Grand Island, Nebraska. Donna held her nursing license for 60 years and was a license registered nurse until her death on August 28, 2012. As a registered nurse she served as a Cadet Nurse in WWII and enjoyed many nursing management positions. She was director of nursing at Stuart, Nebraska (1949-1952), director of nursing at Fullerton Memorial Hospital (1952-1963), director of nursing at Aurora Memorial Hospital (1963-1969), director of Nursing at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney (1969-1985), director of nursing at St. John's Center (1985-1990), and manager of Cambridge Court in Kearney (1990-1991). Throughout her years in Kearney, Donna was

either a member of or an active volunteer in the following organizations: St. James Catholic Church, St. James Parish Council, St. James Parish Nursing, Red Cross Board of Directors, Red Cross Disaster Services, Red Cross Blood Donation Services, Interfaith Caregivers Board, Buffalo County Immunization Program (Director), Golden K Kiwanis, and ARC. Donna loved creating craft projects, cooking, baking, reading and studying nursing journals, volunteering, and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. Survivors include her son, Stephen Foster and his wife Barbara Foster of Omaha; her daughter Linda Potter and her husband, Lee Potter, of Kearney; her daughter Lisa Irwin and her husband, Mike Irwin, of Kearney, her grandchildren: Kirk Potter, Jason Potter, Jake Irwin, Cassie Irwin; and great grandchildren: Reed Potter, Regan Potter, and Ryder Potter; and sisters and brothers: John Krause, Veronica Levos, Carroll Krause, Dolores Johnson, Larry Krause, and Gerald Krause. Donna was preceded in death by her husband, Harold Foster, her sisters Arlene Brazie and Margie Umhauer and brothers Robert Krause and Myron Krause

# Tribute Wall



“ *Donna Foster*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *I would just like to express my sympathy to the family of Donna. As the activity director at St John's until the end of March, I spent some 1:1 time with Donna and was able to appreciate her. I truly believe she is pain free in the arms of Jesus.*

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**Janice McMinn** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Donna was an inspiration to me while I worked with the American Red Cross. She helped me work through the disaster part of my job. I have always treasured her friendship. Kearney will miss a wonder lady.*

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**Sharon Schroeder** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM