



## Doris L. Holt

July 13, 1929 - June 10, 2021

Doris L. Holt, 91, of Holdrege died Thursday, June 10, 2021, at Phelps Memorial Health Center. Services will be at 10:00 am Thursday, June 17th at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Kearney with Mother Stephanie Swinnea & Rt Father Jerry Ness officiating. Burial will be at Kearney Cemetery following the service. Visitation will be from 6:00 - 8:00 pm Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

She was born July 13, 1929, in Grangeville, ID to Alvin Evans and Leona (Leo) Evans. She graduated from Kearney High School with the Class of 1947. She attended college at Marymount College for Women in Salina, KS. She returned home after one year to work in the family bakery. Working with her family at Evans Bakery was very important part of her life. She also worked as an office manager for KUVR Radio and Christiansen Trucking. On Sept. 3, 1955, she married Lee Holt in Lincoln. To this union she brought her three daughters, Susan, Christine and Kyle and Lee raised them as his own. The family resided in the Holdrege/Loomis area, where they farmed until May 1991. Upon retirement, they moved to Cozad and later to Kearney. After Lee's passing in 2008 she remained in Kearney until moving into Christian Homes Independent Living in Holdrege in 2017. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Great Plains Art Guild, Kearney Art Guild and Museum Of Nebraska Art. She loved being an artist and displayed her work many times at Art In the Park in Kearney. She was a strong believer

in higher education and continued to take art classes as an adult at Kearney State College. She enjoyed knitting, sewing, playing bridge, golf and traveling. She traveled abroad several times with her daughters as well as with her husband.

Survivors include her daughters, Susan Booe and her husband, Dan, of Atlanta, Christine Bethscheider and her husband, Tom, of Cedar Rapids and Kyle Holt-Stanard and her husband, Darrel, of Lincoln; grandchildren, Holli Rich and her husband, James, of Holdrege, Ross Booe and his wife, Jodi, of Loomis, Cassandre Lassiter and her husband, Dan, and Adam Bethscheider, all of Atlanta, Ga., Cara Small and her husband, Pat of Martell, Jill Stanard, Andrea Graterol, Sydney Gude and her husband Curtis, and Mark Stanard, all of Lincoln, Scott Stanard and his wife, Roxanne, of Prosper, TX and Steve Stanard and his wife, Jennifer, of Manhattan, KS; 22 great-grandchildren; 5 great-great-grandchild; sisters Donna Knapp of Denver, CO and Barbara Reifschneider of Paso Robles, CA; half-sister, Joan Hartman and her husband, Steve, of Lincoln; half-brother, Jeff Evans and his wife, Patricia, of Longmont, CO; sisters-in-law, Lois Holen and her husband, Don, of Bertrand; Judy Evans of Cozad, and numerous nephews, nieces and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband; brother, Gale Evans; sisters-in law, Louree Larsen and her husband, Harold, Goldie Stapp and her husband, Roy, Jewel Arnold and her husband, Jerry; brothers-in-law, Bud Reifschneider, Loyd Holt and his wife, Virginia, Alan Holt, Paul Holt and his wife, Judy; grandson Dustan Booe; parents-in-law, Alfred and Pearl (Jensen) Holt.

Memorials are suggested to Chrisoma West c/o Christian Homes, Holdrege or St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Kearney. 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.



# Cemetery Details

## Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 233-3244

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 16.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations  
4115 Ave N  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 234-3500  
info@osrfh.com  
<https://www.osrfh.com>

## Funeral Service

**JUN 17.** 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Luke's Episcopal Church  
2304 N. 2nd Ave  
Kearney, NE 68845

# Tribute Wall



“ *Doris L. Holt*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *I am so sorry that I won't be able to attend the service for Doris this morning. My recovery from a recent surgery has been less than speedy. Doris was just a grade below my mom in h.s. I so enjoyed passing the peace with her at St. Luke's and visiting with her after church at coffee. She was always so interested in how my folks were doing, so fun, and so kind. I have missed her and didn't know for sure where she had moved. To her daughters and their families, please know that many thoughts and prayers are with all of you.---*

*Mary Kommers*

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**Mary S Kommers** - June 17, 2021 at 10:01 AM



“ *Watching Aunt Doris' hands sail WITHOUT LOOKING as she knit a yellow sweater amazed and then thrilled me when she gave it to me!! Loved to listen when she came to visit. Loved (the entire pkg with some help from my siblings) peanut butter cookies (Voortmann's I think?) when we visited her house!! Love you Aunt Doris. Laura Clevenger*

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**Laura Clevenger** - June 16, 2021 at 04:29 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Doris L. Holt.* ”



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June 16, 2021 at 12:48 PM

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“ My condolences to the family. I'm sorry I couldn't make it to the services but am thinking of you all.

*It always stuck with me that Aunt Dorris drove from Nebraska to Colorado for my highschool graduation. My graduation was at Red Rocks Amphitheater in Morrison. It was an incredibly hot day and when I got to the top of the amphitheater, Aunt Dorris was waiting with my parents. I said, "Aunt Dorris! I can't believe you made it! I'm so glad you're here!" To which she responded, "Well, none of us thought you'd make it. I had to come see for myself." I laughed and thanked her for coming.*

*Let's be honest, she wasn't wrong. I partied my way through highschool and graduated by the skin of my teeth but enjoyed every minute of it.*

*It meant so much to me that she took the time to drive out to Colorado and walk up an actual mountain to get to the top where the graduates were to meet. I never forgot that.*

*Her life, like many people in her time, was far from easy. Living through World War and economic depression produced tough people. Dorris was tough. That tough exterior and gumption produced three capable, smart, tenacious and beautiful children. Her grandchildren are hard-working and self-disciplined. She left her mark on this world through her amazing children and grandchildren.*

*I will miss her and her feisty spirit.*

*In heaven there is peace. I take solace in knowing she is at peace with our Lord.*

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Sarah Carrasco - June 15, 2021 at 11:53 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Doris L. Holt.*



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June 15, 2021 at 08:59 PM



“ *I really enjoyed Doris while she was at Chrisoma West. Age 90 was more like her speed - no grass grew under her feet! She was ON THE MOVE whenever I saw her out walking in the halls. :) She was always attentive and friendly to me. I will miss her spunk! 2 John 6 reminds us...And this is love: that we walk in obedience to his commands. As you have heard from the beginning, his command is that you walk in love.*

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**Chaplain DeWane Dow** - June 15, 2021 at 04:09 PM



“ *I enjoyed our friendship as neighbors and schoolmates. Doris was the one adult that I could talk to while growing up - nice to have friends like her. Wish we'd have seen each other more often than class reunions, hospital visits, and funerals through all these years. Love, Nick & Connie*

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**Nick McElvain** - June 15, 2021 at 02:36 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Doris L. Holt.*



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June 15, 2021 at 01:20 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Dianne Lynn Harrop** - June 15, 2021 at 12:27 AM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Doris L. Holt.



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June 14, 2021 at 06:10 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish* was purchased for the family of Doris L. Holt.



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June 14, 2021 at 05:43 PM



“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of Doris L. Holt.



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June 14, 2021 at 03:22 PM

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“ *Your friends, Judd and Belinda; Jazz and Kasey purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Doris L. Holt.*



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**Your friends, Judd and Belinda; Jazz and Kasey** - June 14,  
2021 at 12:04 PM