



Frances "Iona" Crow

July 24, 1934 - July 9, 2025

Frances "Iona" Crow, 90 of Bellevue, formerly of Kearney, passed away Wednesday, July 9, 2025 at Heritage Ridge in Bellevue, NE. A funeral mass will be held 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 16, 2025 at St. James Catholic Church with Father Josh Brown officiating. Interment will follow at Ft. McPherson National Cemetery near Maxwell, NE. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church.

Memorials are suggested to the Peterson Senior Activities Center or to St. James Catholic Church. Condolences may be shared online at <http://www.osrfh.com>. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Iona was born July 24, 1934 in Arapahoe, CO to Emil and Nell (Sullwold) Ripp. She was raised near Elm Creek, NE and attended Odessa High School, graduating with the class of 1951. Iona then attended Duschene College in Omaha and later St. Francis School of Radiology in Grand Island, NE in 1954. On January 22, 1957, she was united in marriage to Richard Crow in Elm Creek, NE. To this union two children were blessed. The family made their home in North Platte, NE for 22 years until moving to Kearney in 1994. Iona moved to Bellevue, NE in 2019 to be closer to family.

Iona was a member of St. James Catholic Church where she was active with

the Altar Society. She was also a longtime member of the American Registry of Radiological Technologists. In her spare time, Iona enjoyed bowling.

Left to cherish her memory are her son, Patrick (Coleen) Crow of Plattsmouth, NE; grandsons, Sam (Katie) Crow and Gabe (Lexi) Crow both of Plattsmouth, NE; great granddaughter, Lara Crow; sister, Marian Broe of Chicago, IL; sisters-in-law, Sharon Ripp of Elm Creek and Kathy Ripp of Cairo, NE; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends.

Iona was preceded in death by her parents; husband Richard Crow in 2016; daughter, Jennifer Crow in 1984; step-mother, Mabel Ripp; sister, Carol Meier; brothers, David, Emil and Charles Ripp; and brothers-in-law, Ed Meier and Ron Broe.

Cemetery Details

Fort McPherson National Cemetery

12004 State Highway 56A Spur
Maxwell, NE
(308) 582-4433

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 16. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Funeral Mass

JUL 16. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall

MS

“ *Iona was a special gal. She would always have us smiling and laughing. We were blessed to have known her.*
Lynn and Mary Swartwood

Mary Swartwood - July 15, 2025 at 11:07 PM

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“ *Penny Reynolds Kramer/Belle Reynolds Gar lit a candle in memory of Frances "Iona" Crow*



Penny Reynolds Kramer/Belle Reynolds Gar - July 13, 2025 at 05:20 PM

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“ *Iona was one special lady, I enjoyed the many conversations we had over the years. Dick and Iona always came into True Value and whether it was a good joke or just keeping me on my toes I never forget the fun times. The world was a better place with her in it.*

Andy Donovan - July 11, 2025 at 09:03 PM