



## Lois G. Nelson

December 2, 1960 - August 7, 2015

Lois Greta (Groen) Nelson, 54, of Kearney died Friday, August 7, 2015 at her home with her family at her side.

Memorial services will be at 10:30 am Wednesday at First United Methodist Church with the Reverend Gary Main officiating. According to her wishes Lois was cremated. Private family burial will be at a later date in the Kearney Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the family for later designation.

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home is serving the family.  
Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com).

Lois was born on December 2, 1960 in Inglewood, CA to John and Cleone (Menning) Groen. She grew up and received her education in Holdrege, NE.

She was united in marriage to Dirk Nelson on September 20, 1980 in Holdrege. After which the couple lived in Lexington where she was employed by American Charter Federal Savings and Loan Association. They later moved to Kearney where she worked for Target, Hobby Lobby and Kearney Public Schools.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church where Dirk and Lois taught Sunday School and Lois worked with the confirmation classes for many years. She was also a member of the Kenwood Elementary PTA. Lois enjoyed cross stitching, craft fairs, riding her bike, swimming and taking family vacations. Most of all she loved spending time with her family and raising her three daughters. Family and friends will always remember her amazing talent for connecting with people. She was a great listener and time spent with her was always enjoyable. Her family appreciates all the love and support from the many lives that Lois touched.

Survivors include her husband, Dirk of Kearney; three daughters, Emily, Jennifer and Stephanie, all of Kearney; her mother, Cleone Groen of Sioux Falls, SD; two brothers, Mylo Groen of Tucson, AZ and John Groen, Jr. and his wife Pat of Fishkill, NY ; a sister, Cathy Hoffman and her husband Matt of Atlanta, GA; and several nieces and nephews.

Lois was preceded in death by her father, John Groen, Sr.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG 12. 10:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
4500 Linden Drive  
Kearney, NE 68847

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lois G. Nelson*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Dirk, so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*



**Bonnie Moore** - January 03, 2016 at 12:28 PM



“ *Dirk and girls, I just heard about Lois. I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Lois. We worked together at American Charter and we has some great times. What a sweet heart she was and fun to be with. Prayers for your family.*  
*Diane (Evans) Gonzalez*  
*Lexington, NE*

**Diane Gonzalez** - December 14, 2015 at 09:21 AM



“ *We were so sorry to hear of Lois's death. We remember the good times at church in Lex and also thank you for attending Trevor and Jordan's wedding. God bless you.*

**Brent and Connie Smets** - August 13, 2015 at 05:03 PM

JM

“ *Dirk and girls,  
I was so shocked and saddened to learn of Lois's passing. I will always remember the good times working together at American Charter in Lexington. She was a very sweet lady - and definitely a lady; and she was so proud of her daughters. My sincere sympathy and love go out to all of you at this difficult time.*

*Janet Mills*

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**Janet Mills** - August 12, 2015 at 10:29 AM

SF

“ *My family and I would like to offer our deepest sympathies to you and your family. We are so sorry for your loss. Please know that you are never alone. Turn to the Holy Scriptures for guidance and to help soothe your heart. Psalms 34:18 assures us that God is near to those broken at heart and crushed in spirit. Please accept our deepest sympathies.*

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**S Ford** - August 12, 2015 at 09:36 AM

JJ

“ *As a co-worker when Lois was employed at Target, it was always a pleasure to work the same cashier shift as Lois. She was caring when helping a guest and I always enjoyed a few minutes to visit with her. When she was employed at Hobby Lobby, I felt fortunate if she was there to check me out. My sympathy to the Family. I am so very sorry for your loss. God Bless. Jerry Jorgenson, Kearney. Friend and former co-worker.*

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**Jerry Jorgenson** - August 11, 2015 at 03:17 PM

CW

“ *My sincere condolences to the family of Lois. As a former classmate I would say she was a great listener and supported her friends. I know she will be deeply missed. Cindy Wohlers-Green*

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**Cindy Wohlers-Green** - August 10, 2015 at 07:37 PM

VW

“ *From all of us at the Wirth Family we are keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers. We know you have many, many happy memories to bring comfort, joy and laughs. I for one enjoyed spending time with Lois at tennis events cheering you girls on. Every single time ALL of you girls made us so proud. You also at times provide us with laughs, rolling of our eyes and wondering what are you doing. When the giggles would start, we knew the matches were going to be interesting. Remember those times and know that we both were very proud. You three girls are the wonderful, beautiful, confident women because of your mom.*

*Our heart go out to you. Remember we are here if you need anything at anytime.*

*With our Deepest Sympathy and May God Hold You All in His Palms.*

*Gary, Vicki, Cody and Kayla*

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**Vicki Wirth** - August 10, 2015 at 06:57 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Lois G. Nelson.*



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August 10, 2015 at 03:34 PM

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“ *Rory & Lisa Nelson and Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Lois G. Nelson.*



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**Rory & Lisa Nelson and Family** - August 10, 2015 at 12:36 PM