



Lona Lowell

January 31, 1935 - August 13, 2011

Lona May Lowell, 76, of Kearney died Saturday, August 13, 2011, as the result of a car-train accident west of Grand Island, Nebraska. A memorial celebration will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 17, at the First United Methodist Church, Kearney, with Rev. Gary Main and Karla Gunn officiating. Visitation will be from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 16, at the O'Brien Straatmann Funeral Home with the family present and one hour before the service on Wednesday. Burial will be in the Prairie Center Cemetery, Havens Chapel, Kearney. Memorials are planned to Camp Comeca and the United Methodist Church. Lona was born on a farm northeast of Kearney on January 31, 1935, to Walter and Ida (Krebs) Howe. She married Clifford Lowell in Kearney on June 15, 1957. Lona attended schools in Buffalo County, near Evanston, Wyoming, and in Kearney, Nebraska. She graduated from Longfellow High School, Kearney, in 1953. She attended the University of Kansas City to become a dental hygienist. She worked for dentists in Minden and Kearney. She remained an active member of the Nebraska Dental Hygiene Association the rest of her life. Lona was an active member of the United Methodist Church, in both Minden and Kearney. She was among the first group of campers attending Camp Comeca near Cozad, Nebraska, in 1950, and she remained loyal to the camp all her life. She was a member of the East Lawn Kensington (ELK). Lona enjoyed needlework, traveling, biking, swimming, playing cards, square dancing, and spending time with her family, especially her granddaughters, and many friends. She was a wonderful wife,

mother and grandmother, and was always giving to others. Survivors include her husband; daughter Leanne Josoff, her husband Roy and children Alyssa and Kylee of Seward, Nebraska, and brother Loren Howe of Amarillo, Texas. She was preceded in death by two sons, her parents, two brothers, and two sisters.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lona Lowell*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. It was always a joy to see Lona Mae at Barbershop activities. She was very energetic and always volunteering to help someone. She was an inspiration to everyone who met her with her positive attitude, setting the mood of any room she entered. I know she will be missed by everyone who had the opportunity to meet her, no matter how briefly. Its a comfort to know she is with our lord.*

Mert and Janene Feikert - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *I am truly sorry to hear of the loss of one amazing woman. Though I met Lona only a short time ago through Tupperware, I am so glad that I had a chance to know her. Her vivacious personality and optimism shined through every single time we interacted. She will be missed and I will be forever grateful that I was able to meet her and be touched by her kindness and giving spirit. I wish you heartfelt condolences in this difficult time.*

Connie Gregoski - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Dear Cliff and Family, I am so sorry for your loss. I remember Lona most from Family Camp at Comeca. I guess that was one of the places where you were in Ministry together. I pray that God will give you Grace to endure and happy memories.*

Dave Mendyk - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

SG

“ To Lona's Family, Sincere sympathy on the loss of your dear Lona. There is one more wonderful smile in heaven now. Lona was my inspiration and someone who I looked up to in the dental hygiene profession. She rarely missed a meeting or a chance to volunteer and do good things. She will be missed.... Always remember how much she loved and cherished her family - she always had pictures and updates for us at meetings. May God surround you with his peace and grace at this very difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.....

Scott and Cindy Gaskill - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

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“ Cliff & family, So sorry to hear of the sudden death of your loved one! May God be with you and your family in this time of deep grief. Our hearts ache for you, but we're comforted that she has now gone to her heavenly resting place.

Fran & Jan Wilson - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

MM

“ Cliff and family, May God be with you and bring you peace during this time. Your fellow singers in the Barbershop chorus send thoughts and prayers your way.

Monty McCollough - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

NH

“ Clifford and family, We're so sorry for this loss to you and your family. Lona was a special lady and I'm so blessed to have known her. I will always remember the vitality she had and the energy she brought to the room. May God give you peace and comfort in the times ahead. Nathan and Nikki Holthusen

Nathan and Nikki Holthusen - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

SM

“ *Cliff and family, Please accept my condolences on the loss of Lona May...I will always remember seeing her ride her bike down our street with a big smile on her face...If I happened to be in the yard, she always waved at me...*

Susan Muchmore-Phelps - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM