



Sharon Harlan

May 27, 1939 - March 29, 2012

Sharon Lee Harlan passed away Thursday, March 29, 2012 in Broomfield, Colorado. Funeral Services will be 2:00 P.M. Saturday, March 31, 2012 at the First Christian Church of Elm Creek with the Rev. Dean Pofahl officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will follow at the Gothenburg Cemetery in Gothenburg, NE. Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Online condolences or personal reflections may be submitted at osrfh.com. O'Brien - Straatmann - Redinger Funeral Home of Kearney is in charge of arrangements. Sharon Lee Harlan was born May 27, 1939 in Fullerton, Nebraska to Leroy and Ruby (Ward) Copple. Sharon taught in Sidney, Nebraska where she met her husband, Lloyd Douglas Harlan. After their marriage they resided in Sidney and were the owners/operators of Harlan's Bakery. Later, they moved to Holdrege, Nebraska to continue running Harlan's Bakery, the family owned business. Sharon attended Kearney State College and returned to teaching in 1982. She continued teaching until her retirement from Elm Creek Public Schools in 2005. Sharon was a member of the First Christian Church of Elm Creek. Sharon was well loved and will be dearly missed. Survivors: Kris (Daughter) and Bob Otava of Westminster, CO. and their two daughters, Kaylee and Melissa; Marc (Son) and Jessica Harlan of Virginia Beach, VA. and their two children, Gavin and Ava; Ben (Brother) and Claire Copple of Omaha, NE; Jim (Brother) and Cindy Copple of Lindsborg, KS

Tribute Wall



“ Sharon Harlan

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Selfishly I want to be sad because such an always pleasant, always kind, and always willing and doing lady is no longer here for us. Sharon was always willing to do whatever she could at the church, especially anything to do with children. She never complained, never was negative, and I can't recall her speaking ill of anyone in the 5+ years we knew her. Unselfishly, I know her body was not cooperating with her desires. None the less she would show up to do her part even if she might fall. That doesn't bother her anymore. I know she missed her husband sincerely and deeply. That doesn't bother her anymore as I reckon they are together again basking in the light of the Son. Before we were even called to serve in Elm Creek Sharon opened her home for our family to stay in. She made great breakfast casserole for us and made us feel at home. She told us of the trains and not to worry as they go day and night (and they did). When the time is right I'll see her again. Christians never say goodbye because we will all meet again in that land where the SON shines His light so brightly and comforts so completely. She has blessed us and I'm sure I speak for many when I say, "it was my great honor to know her". For now we bide our time but those in Christ can say with absolute certainty not, "goodbye" but we can wave and speak our heart that says "I'll see you later Sharon..... We will see you later" May the Lord of comfort whom Sharon so faithfully served bring peace to each one who mourns our severe but temperary loss.*

Pastor Tom - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

DH

“ Kris and Marc, Our thoughts and prayers go out to you at this time. I loved your Mother's laugh and smile, she treated me like family when you lived in Holdrege. I can remember your mom singing and dancing to the radio :) Darla Powell Heeren

Darla Powell Heeren - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

RP

“ Kris & family, Was so sorry to read of your mom's passing in today's Kearney Hub. I would see her now & then in Kearney before she retired. Many years have past since Darla & you were school friends. Our sincere sympathy are with you & Marc at this time. Sincerely, Roger & Marlene Powell

Roger & Marlene Powell - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM