



Alice Genevieve Konig

January 12, 1932 - November 10, 2022

Alice G. Konig died peacefully in the early morning hours of November 10, 2022, at Floyd County Medical Center in Charles City, surrounded by her children and grandchildren. She was 90 years young. Visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m., Sunday, November 13, 2022, at Counsell Woodley Funeral Home in Allison. Funeral Mass will be held at 10:00 a.m., Monday, November 14, 2022, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Greene. Burial will take place in the Allison Cemetery. Counsell Woodley Funeral Home of Allison is caring for Alice and her family.

Alice was born on January 12, 1932, in Chickasaw County, Iowa, to Orville and Esther (Brummond) Yearling. She graduated from New Hampton High School. She married Joe W. Cramer in 1949, and their son Stephen was born. Joe was tragically killed in an auto collision in August of 1951. A month later, she gave birth to their second son, Craig. The young widow cared for her two sons in a very small house her father built for them next to the family home in New Hampton. It was so small that it had to be extended about four feet when it was converted to a single car garage.

Joe's best friend, Vern Konig, continued to visit and make sure his friend's family was doing well. One thing led to another and they married on February 28, 1954. She moved to the family farm in Allison, Iowa, where she would live until 1988. There she gave birth to three daughters, Karen (1955), Deborah

(1957) and Barbara (1965), and two more sons, James (1966) and William (1969). The farm house was always a place of loud, barely controlled chaos. Following Vern's stroke in 1988, the farm was sold and she moved to a small house in Allison, where she lived independently until the end of her life. Vern died on October 21, 1990.

Alice worked at the Allison Health Care Center in the dietary department for over thirty years before retiring in 1998. She was a very active participant of the Women's Auxiliary of Amvet Post 88 where she held many posts until the time of her death. When the restaurants in Allison closed and the city of Allison needed someone to continue providing the Senior Breakfast program, Alice, Gail Henrichs, and Annabelle Dohlman of the Amvets Auxiliary stepped up and every Wednesday morning at 5 a.m. they got up and cooked breakfast for Allison seniors. She was still doing it until her health began failing in 2022.

Alice loved playing cards - it was a family passion handed down from her grandparents and parents and shared by her sisters (all seven of them), her children, and grandchildren. Euchre, pepper, cribbage, five hundred, rummy - if it involved family, friends or strangers and a deck of cards, she was always up for a game. She made friends all over the county playing at the 'card parties' the different communities held.

Her other love was being in the kitchen. She loved baking. There were always cookies, muffins, cakes and pies - just in case someone dropped by. Her fried chicken was a 'must have' at picnics, family reunions, and parties. She was baking donations for events the week before she went to the hospital the last time. She collected recipes and cookbooks and was always able to go to the pantry or freezer and whip up something delicious. It was a gift she shared with her mother and sisters.

Above all else, though, Alice was a devoted Catholic. There was never a time

when the rosary wasn't within easy reach. Her daily bible readings were just that - daily. When they admitted her to the hospital this final time, her first request - demand, really - was that Barbara bring her rosary and bible the next day. The only time she ever missed Mass was when she was too ill or the roads were impassable. Growing up, her children still remember going to Mass at Immaculate Conception in Allison, oftentimes a few minutes late because dressing and herding four or five children took time. The family marched down front to a vacant pew - regardless of how late we were. If we were too late for Allison, we drove to Parkersburg or New Hartford or Dumont or Greene. We never missed Mass. Just saying she was devout does her a disservice. She was a proud, devout, and true believer. It was her final comfort and solace.

She is survived by her children Stephen (Rosalinda) Cramer of Bend, OR, Craig (Janis) Cramer of Allison, IA, Karen (Kenneth) Alberts of Allison, IA, Deborah (J. Timothy) Kern of Greene, IA, Barbara (Michael) Ball of Allison, IA, James (Jan) Konig of Ankeny, IA, and William (Angie) Konig of Nora Springs, IA; grandchildren Stephen Cramer Jr., Brandi Kerwood, Amy Tournier, Staci Wilkinson, Rachel Jensen, Tyler Alberts, Laura Ball, Kristine Metcalf-Putnam, Joe Kern, Katie Kern, Lexi Konig, Grant Konig, Travis Konig and Jenna Heitshusen; great-grandchildren Mitchell Eberle, Jacob Eberle, Libby Eberle, Makayla Cramer, Stephanie Cramer, Wyatt Jensen, Weston Jensen, Ben Tournier, Lauren Tournier, Jillian Tournier, Braden Tournier, Jani Wilkinson, Mallory Wilkinson, Brantley Wilkinson, Bryton Alberts, Maddon Alberts, Genevieve Johnson and Lyanna Johnson; sisters Jane (Andrew) Urness of St. Paul, MN, Betty (Art) Swenson of Plainfield, IL, Dianne Polacheck of Mesa, AZ, Patricia Ackley of Fredericksburg, IA, Mary Yearling of Omaha, NE, and Nancy Wegner of Fredericksburg, IA.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, her parents, her stepfather Emil

Barta, and her sister Phyllis Schoonover.

Cemetery Details

Allison Cemetery

IA-14
Allison, IA 50602

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 13. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Allison - Woodley Funeral Home
308 Birch Street
Allison, IA 50602
(319) 267-2507

Service

NOV 14. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church
Main Street
Greene, IA 50636

Tribute Wall



“ Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Alice Genevieve Konig



Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory - November 12, 2022 at 08:54 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Alice Genevieve Konig.



November 12, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ Mike & Nancy Jensen and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Alice Genevieve Konig.



Mike & Nancy Jensen and family - November 12, 2022 at 08:22 AM

MK

“ Karen and families, your mother and grandmother was a wonderful person. In reading her story it was full of good and positive contributions she made to her family, friends and community. She leaves behind some huge shoes to fill. Seeing this today, memories of you came back to me (Hampton) as well as Gaylord Hrubes (Duncan) of the time at Hamilton Business College. Our prayers to you.

Mark Kienol
Rudd, Iowa

Mark S Kienol - November 11, 2022 at 06:46 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Alice Genevieve Konig.



November 11, 2022 at 06:18 PM

KT

“ Alice was quite the lady to work for when she was my boss at RCOA. She taught me many things that carried into the manager job I hold now, of which she handed to me when she retired!! Alice always had some of the best Christmas parties for our dietary crew. Lots of laughs were had by all, even though she always seemed to have that party on the night of the Iowa - Iowa State basketball game!! She was a great cook and always had lots of "goodies" to eat. She will be missed and my sympathies to the entire family.

Kelly Thorne - November 11, 2022 at 06:07 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alice Genevieve Konig.*



November 11, 2022 at 03:47 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Alice Genevieve Konig.*



November 11, 2022 at 03:14 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Alice Genevieve Konig.*



November 11, 2022 at 02:54 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alice Genevieve Konig.*



November 11, 2022 at 01:20 PM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Alice Genevieve Konig.*



November 11, 2022 at 12:53 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alice Genevieve Konig.*



November 11, 2022 at 06:19 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Alice Genevieve Konig.*



November 10, 2022 at 08:59 PM