



Debra Ann Estell

September 28, 1953 - January 8, 2017

Debra Ann Estell, 63, of Iowa Falls, passed away Sunday, January 8, 2017 at Mercy Medical Center North Iowa in Mason City. A memorial visitation will be held on Saturday, January 14, 2017 from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm at the Woodley Funeral Home in Iowa Falls. Woodley Funeral Home, LLC of Iowa Falls is caring for Debra and her family.

Debra Ann (Holzer) Estell was born on Sept 28, 1953 to Joseph and Frances Holzer in Kearny, New Jersey. She attended Ocean County College in New Jersey, majoring in Art, one of her passions. She married Matthew Estell on November 17, 1990 in their home at the time in Toms River, New Jersey. She was a mother, dog breeder and groomer all of her life and worked locally for Dr. Leslie Meier, DVM since 1999.

Debra was a mother, show dog groomer, trainer, rare breed judge and exhibitor. Over the years she showed, bred and exhibited many dogs to their championship, including Bichon Frise, Neopolitan Mastiffs, Dobermans and for the last ten years, Boston Terriers. One of her Bostons is scheduled to compete in the prestigious Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show in New York City in February of this year. She was a member of the Boston Terrier Club of America, the Heartland Boston Terrier Club and the Hawkeye Boston Terrier Club. She was also a very talented artist with most of her paintings being of the dogs she so cherished.

Debra Ann Estell is survived by her husband, Matthew Estell, Iowa Falls, Iowa; sons, Kevin Podell of Nevada, Iowa, Bryan Podell of Nevada, Iowa and Craig Podell of Des Moines, Iowa; her daughter, Dee White of Florida; grandchildren, Brooklyn Podell of Nevada Iowa, Jamie Alexander of Indianapolis, Indiana, Kylie Fraiser of Mason City, Iowa and Bridgette Podell of Ames, Iowa; nieces, Mary Vicari and Kathy Allen of Toms River, New Jersey and nephew, Edward Holzer of New Jersey. She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Edward and William Holzer and her sister, Melva Holzer.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **14.** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Iowa Falls - Woodley Funeral Home
516 S. Oak Street
Iowa Falls, IA 50126
(641) 648-7700

Tribute Wall

TH

“Wow how so strange I should accidently find this and to this day remember her. She use to call me stretch I think although my name is Tony when I was at the house hanging out with her son Kevin in Port St Lucie Florida I always told Kevin he had the coolest mom. She was too!

Tony C Herrell - May 10, 2021 at 09:27 PM

AA

“Arlene & Don Albers lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Estell



Arlene & Don Albers - January 13, 2017 at 01:18 PM

AR

So sorry for your loss she will be missed.

Arlene - January 13, 2017 at 01:20 PM

JS

“Jennifer Sanders lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Estell



Jennifer Sanders - January 13, 2017 at 01:09 PM

JS

I miss her already :(

Jennifer Sanders - January 13, 2017 at 01:10 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Estell.*



January 13, 2017 at 09:44 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Estell.*



January 13, 2017 at 09:25 AM



“ *Laura Lynch lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Estell*



Laura Lynch - January 13, 2017 at 08:53 AM



“ *It is with tremendous sadness that I send my prayers to Matt and the family. She was such a beautiful soul that left us too quickly. Deb touched so many of our hearts and she will be missed. May Deb rest in the peace and love she so richly deserves. Ted and I will always remember Deb and love her.*



Marlene Kitsos - January 11, 2017 at 08:46 PM

TK

“ Teri Kinney lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Estell



Teri Kinney - January 09, 2017 at 12:12 PM

TK

“ From our family to yours we send our deepest sympathies and condolences Matt, Kevin, Brian, Craig and Brooklyn also Gene and Cheryl. Debra will remain in my heart forever. She was a wonderful Mom, wife, Grandmother and friend to many including myself. May God bring your family peace, strength and much love. Sincerely and with much love, Chris and Teri Kinney and Family.



Teri Kinney - January 09, 2017 at 12:09 PM

MK

Beautiful picture.

Marlene Kitsos - January 11, 2017 at 08:48 PM