



Irene Humburg Abernathy

April 16, 1934 - May 8, 2020

IN FOLLOWING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CDC AND THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, SERVICES FOR IRENE HUMBURG ABERNATHY WILL BE PRIVATE. Grace Irene Humburg Abernathy of Hampton, Iowa, age 86, died Friday, May 8, 2020, at the Rehabilitation Center of Hampton. She was born April 16, 1934, in Iowa Falls, Iowa, to Frank and Grace (Riley) Snyder. Irene attended Iowa Falls schools and graduated from Iowa Falls High School in 1952. She was united in marriage to Ernest W. Humburg in Iowa Falls, on January 17, 1954, and resided in Hampton, Iowa. Ernest preceded her in death on January 9, 1978. Irene married Richard H. Abernathy in Ellsworth, Wisconsin, on August 2, 1980, and lived in Ellsworth and Eau Claire, Wisconsin, and Waverly, Iowa. Richard preceded her in death on February 13, 2006. Irene worked as a legal secretary in Hampton and administrative assistant at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. She started and led a women's bible study group for many years. Irene's Christian faith made her who she was. She loved her family and enjoyed spending time with them. Irene is survived by her son, David (Debbie) Humburg of Ottumwa; daughter, Donna (David) Cahill of Byron, Minnesota; daughter, Barbara (Merl) Viet of Dumont; step-daughter, Diann McKibben of Lenexa, Kansas; step-son, Michael (Gail) Abernathy of Altoona, Wisconsin; 15 grandchildren: Adam (Crissy) Humburg of Elko New Market, Minnesota; Aimee Humburg of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; Amanda (Tony) Hollingshead of North Royalton, Ohio; Michelle (Tim) Domke of Holly Springs, North Carolina; Laura Abernathy of

Maplewood, Minnesota; James Abernathy of Byron, Minnesota; Reece (Kristie) Viet of Ankeny; Nick (Sarah) Viet of Pleasant Hill; Beth (Nick) Bretz of Hampton; Brad McKibben of Kansas City, Kansas; Melissa (Sadeana) Steele of Kansas City, Kansas; Rebecca (Marc) Maki of Negaunee, Michigan; Jessica Abernathy of Newberry, Michigan; and great-grandchildren: Elizabeth Hollingshead; Eden, Jovi, Justice, Forest, and Lyric Humburg; Logan Domke; Paisley and Benson Viet; Nixon Viet and Maddi German; Barrett and Piper Bretz; Nora and Rylen Steele; Alexia Maki; brother, Forrest (Betty) Burgin of Indianola; sister-in-law, Coke Humburg of Hampton; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Ernest W. Humburg; her second husband, Richard H. Abernathy; her parents, Frank and Grace Snyder; two sisters, Jean Cronk and Arvilla "Tootsie" Greimann; stepson, John R. Abernathy; brother-in-law, Luverne Humburg, and sister-in-law, Dorothy Kruckenberg. Cards of condolences may be sent to Irene's family at P.O. Box 403, Hampton, IA 50441. The Sietsema Vogel Funeral Home of Hampton is assisting Irene's family.

Tribute Wall



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