



Kay Stilson

January 5, 1944 - November 14, 2025

Kay Francine Stilson, 81, of Eldridge, Iowa passed away Friday, November 14, 2025 at UnityPoint-Trinity Bettendorf followed by a long battle with C.O.P.D. "Smoking will kill you."

Funeral services to celebrate her life will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, November 20, 2025 at the United Methodist Church, Hampton, Iowa. Burial will be in Hampton Cemetery. The family will greet friends from 11 a.m. until the time of the service Thursday at church. Memorials may be made to Hampton Bulldog Wrestling. Halligan McCabe DeVries Funeral Home of Davenport is assisting the family with arrangements.

Kay was born on January 5, 1944 to Arthur and Lois Izer. She was raised on a farm in Franklin County by her aunt & uncle Francis and Violet Meyer. She married William "Bill" Stilson on August 18, 1963. He preceded her in death on July 18, 2020. They had two children, Michael Ross and Craig William.

Kay worked for The Hampton Chronicle and Times in the advertising department and worked her way up to advertising manager. She retired in December 1989

In 2000, Kay and Bill started going to Donna, Texas for the winters. They bought a trailer in Magnolia Park and looked forward to going there every

winter.

Kay kept busy doing crafts, attending the music jams and selling 50-50 raffle tickets. She did a lot of baking for the jam halftime breaks. Kay enjoyed meeting and visiting with all the people.

Kay enjoyed high school and college wrestling, NASCAR racing and was a New York Mets and Miami Dolphins fan.

Kay is survived by her sons Michael of Farmington, Minnesota and Craig of Eldridge, six grandchildren: Chelsea (Brett) Medernach of Farmington, Minnesota, Collin Stilson of Farmington, Minnesota, Cade Stilson of Reno, Nevada, Ethan (Lexi), of Davenport, Iowa and Grant and Samantha Stilson of Eldridge, Iowa; great-grandchildren Paisley and Maverick Medernach of Farmington, Minnesota

In addition to her husband, Bill, Kay was preceded in death by her parents, an infant sister Judith, and a special aunt and uncle.

Previous Events

Funeral service

NOV **20**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Hampton United Methodist Church
100 Central Ave E.
Hampton, IA 50441

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mrs. Stilson was so kind and welcoming.*

Tricia Kontak - March 24 at 09:26 PM

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“ *Thank you Kay for the wonderful years of friendship you had with my dad. It was a pleasure knowing you and Bill and all the hockey we watched !! Prayers to family and friends at this time. A.T*



ashley - December 23, 2025 at 08:36 AM

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“ *Laura Schroeder lit a candle in memory of Kay Stilson*



Laura Schroeder - November 18, 2025 at 07:07 PM