



Nancy Jo (Hartema) Boelman-Ludwig

August 5, 1958 - March 8, 2020

Nancy Boelman, 61, of Ackley, passed away Sunday, March 8, 2020 at the Heritage Care Center. A memorial visitation will be held from 5-8 PM on Thursday, March 12, 2020 with a short time of remembrance and prayer at 6 PM at the Woodley Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider giving memorials in the form of a random act of kindness in Nancy's honor, per her wishes. Woodley Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Iowa Falls is caring for Nancy and her family.

Nancy Jo (Hartema) Boelman-Ludwig was born August 5, 1958 at Allen Hospital in Waterloo, Iowa. She was the only child of Laurence and Carelyn (Harken) Hartema. Many times, she would hear people ask her dad if he was ready for more kids. His reply would be, "We stopped at perfection!" (And with that response is where Nancy learned, her infamous rolling of her eyes and saying "Oh forever more! "

Nancy grew up on the family farm south of Austinville, Iowa. She would smile at the fact that she went to four different schools. (Austinville K-2, Ackley-Geneva 3-4, Aplington 5 through graduation in 1976). Nancy was voted most witty in her class by fellow classmates. She attended AIB in Des Moines and all the while she never moved from the farm. In 1979 she married Jack Boelman, they later divorced. To this union two children were born, Nick and

Jena. Nancy was then united in marriage to Steve Ludwig. Nancy spent many years in banking. In 1977-1980 at Kelsey Bank, 1980-1986 at Citizen State Bank and 1986-2003 at Greenbelt Bank & Trust, where she designed the new Greenbelt Bank logo. She then worked at Heartland Windows as payroll-collections and accounts payable/receivable from 2003-2016. Her last job was at Heritage Care Center from 2016-2019 where she worked until diagnosed with terminal bile duct cancer.

In 2003 Nancy and Steve moved to a small acreage where they both enjoyed the openness, peacefulness and animals, both wild and tame. They worked hard to improve it and make it grow but still found time to sit by the campfire with friends and family, just being silly. Nancy enjoyed making people laugh. She would smile when people would ask her birthdate she'd reply "8-5-58, oops I told it to you backwards, it's really 8-5-58." She became known at Heritage Care Center as the "joke of the day lady" with her new and usually corny jokes daily. She really loved to make people laugh.

Nancy is survived by the love of her life, Steven Ludwig; children, Nick Boelman of Reinbeck, Iowa, Jena (Andrew) Jones of Kelley, Iowa and daughter of the heart, Tori Boelman of Holland, Iowa; sister of the heart, Sue (Dave) Abbas of Ackley, Iowa; grandchildren, Grant Laurence and Bria Lyn Boelman; step-children, Jillian (Rocky) Robbins -Kennedy, Jacoby and Brynnley of Norwalk, Iowa, Sean Ludwig of Popejoy, Iowa and Channon Ludwig of Des Moines, Iowa. She was preceded in death by her parents, Laurence and Carelyn Hartema.

Nancy's last "words of wisdom" of which she had many! "Be happy with what you have, have faith and be kind to everyone and everything". (but if you can't) then roll your eyes while saying "Oh forever more" and walk away smiling...

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 12. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Steve, Nick, Jena and families,
We were so sorry to hear of Nancy's passing. I have so many memories of growing up with her - playing "house", swinging up in the haymow and riding horses. How often we walked across the field separating our houses. We had a lot of fun! Nancy did like to laugh, and I'll always remember her smile. We wish we could be there for the visitation tonight, but unfortunately we're unable to make it. However, please know that you're in our thoughts, and we pray for God's comfort and peace for you during the days and weeks ahead. We will be remembering you all and praying for you during the prayer time at 6 p.m. tonight. We know Nancy was deeply loved, and she will be greatly missed!
Our love to you all,
Jon and Sharon

Sharon Olson - March 12, 2020 at 12:59 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nancy Jo (Hartema) Boelman-Ludwig.



March 12, 2020 at 11:07 AM

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“ Anne H and the Gronewold girls purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Nancy Jo (Hartema) Boelman-Ludwig.



Anne H and the Gronewold girls - March 11, 2020 at 08:12 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nancy Jo (Hartema) Boelman-Ludwig.*



March 10, 2020 at 05:25 PM



“ *Mary,, Jim&Ann, Chris & Christy, Lisa&Steve purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Nancy Jo (Hartema) Boelman-Ludwig.*



Mary,, Jim&Ann, Chris & Christy, Lisa&Steve - March 10, 2020 at 04:20 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Nancy Jo (Hartema) Boelman-Ludwig.*



March 10, 2020 at 09:36 AM

DD

“ I have never regretted hiring Nancy as an employee at Heritage Care Center. She was always a perfect example of what we stand for at HCC. She cared for and loved all of the people she crossed paths with everyday. God put her in our lives to teach us all about how others should be treated. Her corny jokes were a big part of that. Many residents looked forward to them daily. Staff too. I don't think their was ever a repeat. So glad she will be putting smiles on everyone's faces in heaven now. See you again my friend.

Denise Duncan - March 09, 2020 at 08:34 PM

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“ Todd And Mary Blohm lit a candle in memory of Nancy Jo (Hartema) Boelman-Ludwig



Todd and Mary Blohm - March 09, 2020 at 05:42 PM

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“ Terry N Bruce Peyton lit a candle in memory of Nancy Jo (Hartema) Boelman-Ludwig



Terry n Bruce Peyton - March 08, 2020 at 06:30 PM

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She will be missed. I thoroughly enjoyed working with her and having her as a friend. We will miss her corny jokes and her smile.

Terry n Bruce Peyton - March 08, 2020 at 06:34 PM