



## Elizabeth "Betty" Walker

February 11, 1927 - January 16, 2020

Elizabeth "Betty" Walker, age 92, of Carroll, and formerly of Mt. Carmel, died Thursday, January 16, 2020 at St. Anthony Nursing Home in Carroll surrounded by her five daughters.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at St. John Paul II Parish- Holy Spirit Church in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Fr. Kevin Richter. Music will be by Kate Cuddy and Sherry Loughran. Lectors will be Jess Steinkamp, Laura Socarras Olson, and Julianna Loneman Collison. Gift Bearers will be Betty's Granddaughters. Eucharistic Minister will be Lori Loneman. Casket Bearers will be Betty's Grandsons. Burial will be at 1 p.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Mt. Carmel.

Friends may call at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll, after 4 p.m. on Tuesday where there will be a Rosary prayed at 5 p.m., and a Christian Wake Service will be held at 6:30 p.m.

The casket will be moved to Holy Spirit Church on Wednesday morning, where visitation will continue from 9:30 a.m. until 10:15 a.m.

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll, and online condolences may be left for Betty's family at [www.sharpfuneral.com](http://www.sharpfuneral.com).

Betty, the daughter of Ben and Mary (Geier) Vonnahme was born on February 11, 1927 at Carroll, Iowa. She grew up in Carroll, and graduated from Carroll High School. On February 17, 1947, Betty was united in marriage to Alonzo J. "Lucky" Walker at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Mt. Carmel with the Rev. P.M. Sturm presiding. Betty held various jobs including: bartender at Smiley's; Burke Hotel, over 20 years as kitchen staff at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School; and as a nanny to Denny and Lori Loneman's children: Melissa, Julianna, and Drew, her "other" grandchildren.

Betty didn't think anyone cared what her hobbies were and there would be no reason to list them, but sorry Mom... Betty enjoyed going to the casino, especially the Wild Rose on Chicken Tuesday, doing crossword puzzles in ink, crocheting and giving the "Betty Jean" look when necessary. Most of all loving her family especially her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-granddaughter.

Survivors include her five daughters: Shari Harrison of Carroll, Jacquie (Rick) Shelton of Carroll, Denise (Mike) Riddle of Carroll, Joyce (Terry) Steinkamp of Wall Lake, and Robyn Corbin of Wall Lake; her grandchildren: Mark Richardson, Wendy (Pat) Gerdes, Angie Olson, Dave (Laura) Olson, Dan (Laura) Olson, Jen (Don) Bolden, Adam Steinkamp, Brody (Jess) Steinkamp, Terilyn Corbin, Wyatt Corbin, and Kipp Corbin, 9 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great granddaughter; sister-in-law Lucille Vonnahme of Papillion, NE; as well as many nieces, nephews, and other extended relatives.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Ben and Mary Vonnahme, her husband, A.J. "Lucky" Walker on March 18, 1979; her sons-in-law: Randy Olson, and Butch Harrison; her brothers: Andy (Sally) Vonnahme, Wayne (Mary Rose) Vonnahme, Jim Vonnahme and a brother in infancy Larry.

# Comments

---



“ Betty's family: You will be in our thoughts and prayers as you face the days ahead. Betty was a sweet person who raised her daughters well. Our sympathy to all of you during these difficult days. Wes & CJ Niles

**Wes & CJ Niles** - January 26, 2020 at 10:33 AM

---



“ So sorry to hear about your mom. I have wonderful memories of spending time at her house and as our lunch lady. She was a great woman!  
Shannon

**Shannon Reising** - January 23, 2020 at 08:47 AM

---



“ I will always remember Betty as one of the lunch ladies. She always had that smile and if you were having a bad day - she would always give you a smile! What a special lady she was!!



**Kim Baumhover Eisenbacher** - January 21, 2020 at 09:04 AM

---



“ Nita Merrigan-Potthoff purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Elizabeth "Betty" Walker.



**Nita Merrigan-Potthoff** - January 20, 2020 at 09:54 PM

---



“ Cathy Olson lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Betty" Walker



**Cathy Olson** - January 20, 2020 at 09:45 PM



“ I loved visiting with Betty at St Anthony's, she always greeted me with a warm smile and a wave!

**Cathy Olson** - January 20, 2020 at 09:47 PM

---



“ To Aunt Betty's family,  
I'm so happy that I was able to see Aunt Betty, this past July, at the Sesquicentennial Jubilee at Mount Carmel. She had on a great smile and I could tell she was enjoying the day. I'll always remember her that way. What a joyous reunion there must have been in heaven. So many arms to welcome her. During your time of sorrow, may you find peace.  
Love,  
Brian and Becky (Vonnahme) Barkley

**Rebecca Vonnahme Barkley** - January 20, 2020 at 07:13 PM

---



“ i so vividly remember getting out of school and walking to the 'joint' to meet up with erv so we could go back home and i stopped and asked betty if i could pick some of their raspberries which were just north and east of their betty and lucky's house, this was also the time that uncle ray was passing from his terminal cancer, what a crazy year that was and we moved to arcadia that march, betty was always so nice...rest in peace dear betty.

**Robert Vonnahme** - January 20, 2020 at 12:29 PM



“ Sorry for the loss of Betty. She will be missed by her family.Dennis and Cherrilie Vonnahme, nephew and wife

**Deenis Vonnahme** - January 20, 2020 at 06:03 PM

---



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Betty" Walker.



January 20, 2020 at 11:26 AM

---



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Betty" Walker.



January 19, 2020 at 10:26 PM

---



“ Shari:  
Sorry to hear of your mother's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you.



**Jerry Boger** - January 19, 2020 at 02:52 PM

---



“ Betty was a beautiful friend, who loved to share the days events and watch the squirrels play, as we would spend time gossiping about everyone in the complex. Always witty and spry. Kelly and I loved this lady like she was our "MOM".

**Deb Kroeger** - January 19, 2020 at 11:00 AM

---



“ Denise, Mike and all your families: She was a great lady! Loved having her as a patient, always happy . My sympathies to you all. Mary and Jerry Dopheide

**Mary Dopheide** - January 18, 2020 at 08:39 PM

---



“ Shari, Jacquie, Denise, Joyce, and Robyn,  
Although no words can really help to ease the loss you all bear, just know that you are all very close in our thoughts and prayers. May the memories of your mother, Betty, and the love of family surround you and give you strength in the days ahead. We know she is watching down from Heaven.  
Kathy, Steve, Rachel, and Luke (Vonnahme/Dostal)

**Kathy** - January 18, 2020 at 02:39 PM

---



“ Rosie Meister Schuler lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Betty" Walker



**Rosie Meister Schuler** - January 18, 2020 at 11:31 AM

---



“ Our prayers go out to all of you on hearing of Betty's death. I have many great happy memories of both Betty and Lucky. They both were such wonderful people and a big part of Mom & Dad's and us kids' life at Mt. Carmel. So many memories come to mind. She will always pop into my head because of the hardy joyful laugh of hers. Mom and Betty always had fun when they got together Bob Fleskes

**Bob Fleskes** - January 18, 2020 at 09:39 AM

---



“ To all Mom's family and friends: her last words to everyone were " I love you. You know that, right?" Some of my last words to her was "I will miss you every day..You know that right"?

**Denise Riddle** - January 17, 2020 at 01:52 PM



“ Our sincere sympathy to the entire family. May your dear mother rest in peace. Love, Pat and Tom

**Pat and Tom Louis** - January 17, 2020 at 02:31 PM



“ Rest In Peace

**Pat and Tom Louis** - January 17, 2020 at 02:32 PM



“ What beautiful words to remember! RIP Betty! I worked on the puzzle for a bit this morning..and thought of her sitting there with you girls (and Mike)..thats the last time I saw her. Hugs..

**Carol Stark** - January 17, 2020 at 03:24 PM



“ Our sympathy to all you girls. Betty was always happy and so friendly. She will be missed. RIP sweet Betty!!!

**Darlene Wiederin** - January 17, 2020 at 07:38 PM



“ I grew up in Mt. Carmel and Betty and Lucky are in a big part of my childhood memories. I will always remember her laugh and tenacious and fun spirit. My condolences to her family. Cindy Fleskes Zalewski

**Cindy Zalewski** - January 18, 2020 at 09:00 AM



“ Shari, Jacque, Denise, Joyce and Robyn,  
I will light a candle at St. Joseph's Church in Seattle in honor of my Aunt Betty.  
I will always remember seeing her this summer and her laugh and her voice took me fondly back to your old home when Grandpa Ben lived with you. She took such good care of Grandpa for all of her brothers. My Dad really loved and respected your Mom. Here's to a grand reunion in heaven with Lucky and all her departed family.  
I can still remember her making dinner and telling a funny story at the same time. I remember her keeping my Dad up to date on all the goings on in Carroll so he did not feel so far away and how many people you could get around the table in your kitchen in Mount. God Bless You all in your time of loss and may you be sustained with the knowledge that your Mom was loved and will be remembered.  
Debbie Vonnahme, Jim's girl.

**Debra Vonnahme** - January 20, 2020 at 01:30 AM