



LaDonna G. Ahrens

May 19, 1939 - January 22, 2018

LaDonna G. Ahrens, 78, of Kearney died Monday, January 22, 2018 at Mother Hull Home in Kearney.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Friday, January 26, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church in Kearney. Father Joe Hannappel will officiate and burial will be at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation is planned Thursday evening from 5:00 – 6:00 followed by a Christian Wake Service at 6:00 p.m. at the church. Memorials are suggested to St. James Catholic Church or Crossroads Center Rescue Mission in Kearney. Please visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of arrangements.

LaDonna was born May 19, 1939 in Kearney to Johnny and Bee (Johnson) Erpelding. She grew on a farm east of the Kearney Airbase and graduated from Kearney High School in 1956. On July 18, 1956 she married Lavern Ahrens in Kansas City, MO.

She and her husband owned and operated Riverside Mobile Home Park until retiring in 1997.

She was a member of St. James Catholic Church in Kearney, the American Legion Auxiliary and did volunteer work at Good Samaritan Hospital. She

loved painting, stained glass and all kinds of crafts, gardening and small building projects. She loved the lake life going to Husker games and the family picnics she hosted for several years.

Surviving relatives include daughters, Kimbra Roberts and husband Ronny and Kris Ahrens both of Kearney; son Kirk Ahrens and wife Rhonda of Summer Haven Lake; 12 grandchildren, Randy Roberts and wife Krissy, Kassy McDonald and husband Brock, Rhitney Roberts and wife Stevi, Casey, Colby and Cale Bowerman, Jimmy, Mike and Karlee Currin, Ashley Malmberg and husband Seth, Ann Teigland and husband John and Ariel Ahrens; 12 great grandchildren Kessyn and Kadisyn McDonald, Nika and Cruz Roberts, Finn Roberts, Weston Currin, Camden and Kyah Bowerman, Noah, Haley and Thomas Malmberg and Charlotte Ahrens; brother, Darryl Erpelding and wife Karen of Topeka, KS; brothers-in-law, Jerry Nellson of Gibbon and Roger Ahrens, of Kearney; sisters-in-law, Loretta Hadlock of Lees Summit, MO, Mae Truesdale of Sedalia, MO, Carolyn Ahrens of Lincoln, NE and Mary Ann Ahrens of Kearney .

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lavern in 2000; parents, Johnny and Bee Erpelding and sister, Linda Nellson in 2017; brother-in-law, Orville Ahrens and in laws George and Elsie Ahrens.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 25. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Christian Wake Service

JAN 25. 6:00 PM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
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Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 26. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ *LaDonna G. Ahrens*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of LaDonna G. Ahrens.*



January 26, 2018 at 10:30 AM



“ *Troy and Melanie Feikert purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of LaDonna G. Ahrens.*



Troy and Melanie Feikert - January 25, 2018 at 05:13 PM



“ *Kim and family, I'm very sorry to hear about your mom. Prayers to you all. God Bless. Barb (Wright Mills) Hodges.*

Barb Hodges - January 25, 2018 at 10:53 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of LaDonna G. Ahrens.*



January 24, 2018 at 08:11 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of LaDonna G. Ahrens.*



January 24, 2018 at 11:39 AM



“ *I had the pleasure of knowing LaDonna through my sister Carolyn Ahrens. I always enjoyed visiting with her and I remember her laugh was contagious. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family. Eternal rest, grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her*

May she rest in peace. Amen.

Jean Skrdlant

Jean Skrdlant - January 24, 2018 at 10:48 AM

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“ *With Love Jenny Hartwig & Family purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of LaDonna G. Ahrens.*



With Love Jenny Hartwig & Family - January 24, 2018 at 10:48 AM

PO

“ *Enjoyed getting to know LaDonna and more of the family through the family reunions. Loved talking and visiting with her at church and at the reunions. She will be missed.*

Pam Oakley - January 23, 2018 at 05:28 PM

KC

LaDonna and I attended St. James School together and later Kearney High School. Enjoyed visiting with her at our 60th Class Reunion. May she rest in peace!

Kathryn Miller Chavez - January 24, 2018 at 10:33 PM