



Rita D. Farias

May 21, 1938 - March 19, 2026

Rita Dora Farias, 87, was surrounded by her loving family when she went home to be with the Lord on March 19th, 2026, at CHI Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. In accordance with her wishes, cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held on Friday, March 27th, 2026, at 10:00 am at Gibbon Faith United Church with Pastor Ron Lauber and Doreen Toe officiating. There will be a reception following at the church. You are welcome to join the family for a graveside prayer committal at Riverside Cemetery, Gibbon NE at 1:30 pm. Please visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services is assisting the family with arrangements.

Rita was born May 21, 1938, in Lexington, Nebraska to Juan and Clotilde Alvarado. She was raised in Lexington, NE.

She was the wife of Paul Farias. They shared 65 years of marriage and had 7 children. Her hobbies included crocheting, baking, gardening, and puzzles.

Rita is survived by her husband Paul of Gibbon and her seven children:

Christina Farias of Phoenix, Az, Teresa Roman of Hastings, Irene Goodwin of Gibbon, Rick (Angie) Farias of Grand Island, David Farias of Omaha, Paul (Daniele) Farias of Kearney, and Paula (Karl) Degenhardt of York, 10 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren, her siblings: Maria of Indiana, Hermania of Colorado, and Joseph of Omaha, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her unborn twin boys, parents, 4 brothers and

3 sisters, great granddaughter, son in law, and her pets Charlie and Georgie.
In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Open Door Fellowship
Church, 13 West Avenue, Gibbon, NE 68840.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

Gibbon, NE 68840

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

Gibbon Faith United Church
203 Garfield Street
Gibbon, NE 68840
<http://gibbonfiathunited.com>

Graveside Service

MAR 27. 1:30 PM (CT)

Riverside Cemetery
Gibbon, NE 68840

Tribute Wall



“ *Charlotte Ann lit a candle in memory of Rita Farias*



Charlotte Ann - April 03 at 03:19 AM

CB

“ *The dust has settled and not a day has gone by in the past few weeks that Dear Rita has not been on our minds. Her memory will forever be dear to us. She was such a beautiful soul, and a wonderful neighbor. We already miss her dearly. Her memory will forever live in our hearts. One of those times when "family goes beyond the blood. What a Blessing. I am sure she and mom have struck up their neighborly conversations again. So many fond memories . Miss your Dear Rita! Love Jim and Charlotte*

Charlotte Burr - April 03 at 03:19 AM

LM

“ *Rita was a wonderful woman. She left a great legacy: she launched some great humans into the world! Thinking of you all as you adjust to life without your dear mother. Linda Mercer*

Linda Mercer - March 26 at 08:13 AM

GL

“ *Green Plains Wood River LLC purchased the Fall Fantasia for the family of Rita D. Farias.*



Green Plains Wood River LLC - March 24 at 06:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rita D. Farias.

March 24 at 10:42 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Rita D. Farias.*



March 24 at 10:42 AM

MC

“ *Maria & Mitch Lindgren, Stacey. Cindy purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Rita D. Farias.*



Maria & Mitch Lindgren, Stacey. Cindy - March 23 at 12:36 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Rita D. Farias.*



March 23 at 11:59 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rita D. Farias.

March 23 at 11:59 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rita D. Farias.

March 22 at 08:29 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rita D. Farias.*



March 22 at 08:29 PM

BH

“ It is truly our honor to have you as family. Your daughter Christina is truly an angel on earth. Her love, kindness, and the time we’ve shared together have meant so much and have allowed us to grow close as cousins. You truly taught her well. I have a special memory from many moons ago when I was just starting out in my own life. Aunt Rita made the most wonderful Christmas cut-out cookies for our church Christmas gathering. I asked her if she would share her recipe, and she said she didn’t give it out very often — but she shared it with me. It meant so much. Those cookies have now become my specialty with my own family, and every time I make them, I think of her with love.

With much love and care, and keeping you all in God’s care.

Your Arizona family,

The Hemmerlings

Brian Hemmerling - March 22 at 03:21 PM

BH

“ Brian,Linda,Sabrina Hemmerlinng purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Rita D. Farias.



Brian,Linda,Sabrina Hemmerlinng - March 22 at 03:04 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rita D. Farias.

March 21 at 11:45 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Rita D. Farias.*



March 21 at 11:45 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rita D. Farias.*



March 20 at 09:22 PM