



Marian Alma Walker

July 30, 1936 - June 17, 2025

Marian Alma Walker, age 88, of Albia, IA, passed away on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at the Monroe County Hospital in Albia, surrounded by her loved ones.

Marian was born on July 30, 1936, in Iowa City, IA, to James Beal and Helen Rae (Tubbs) Appleton. She grew up attending school and graduated from the Osage High School. On June 8, 1957, she was united in marriage to Roland Walker. To this union four children were born: Gary, Daniel, LuAnn and Veronica. Marian and Roland shared 32 years of marriage prior to Roland's passing on December 19, 1989.

Marian was a homemaker and helped on the farm while raising her children. She later went to work in the kitchen at the Albia Hospital and lastly worked at Hardees in Albia. She retired from farming in 2019.

Marian was blessed with a beautiful voice and loved to sing. She sang with the Aloes for 17 years, with some of her highlights being performing at the Iowa State Fair twice, the Follies, the inauguration of Governor Chet Culver, and singing for the residents and staff at nursing homes. She enjoyed crocheting and made many afghans for her family and friends. Marian loved farming and taking care of her "girls" (cows) she had for many years. She also enjoyed going to coin shows with her friend, Denny Ross.

Marian is survived by her children, Gary (Ellen Hollinrake) Walker, Daniel (Shellie Hunt) Walker, LuAnn (Tony) Colosimo and Veronica (Dennis) Hein; grandchildren, Elizabeth (David) Herrmann, Garrett (Taelyn) Walker, Tyler (Melanie) Kipfer, Nicholas Kipfer, Hobie Hein, Curtis Walker, Corey (Michaela) Walker, Tiffany Spaur, and Shannon Wilson; great grandchildren, Emma, Owen, Jackson, Colin, and Miah Kipfer, Landyn, Cason, Reagan, Mason, Hudson, Grayson, and Ella Walker, and Kreighton, and Kemry Harsch; and a sister, Margie Cabral. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Roland Walker: a grandson, Kyle Walker; and a brother, James Arthur Appleton.

The Walker family would like to thank the Monroe County Hospital for the excellent care their mother received during her stay.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 21, 2025, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Marian's family present to greet family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 21, 2025, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Pastor Cory Gibson officiating. Burial will follow services at Hillcrest Cemetery in Moravia, Iowa.

A memorial has been established to the Monroe County Health Care Foundation in Albia.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest

Moravia, IA 52571

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 21. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home
116 Benton Ave.
Albia, IA 52531
(641) 932-3129
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

Memorial Service

JUN 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Jean G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marian Alma Walker.

Jean G. - June 20, 2025 at 01:59 PM



“ Sad to read about Aunt Marion passing prayers for all from The Prescott family

Debra Prescott - June 20, 2025 at 01:05 AM