



Vera Jean Klobnak

December 2, 1932 - April 1, 2010

Vera Jean Klobnak, age 77, of Hamilton passed away on Thursday, April 1, 2010 at her home in Hamilton.

Vera was born December 2, 1932 in Marion County, Iowa to Pierce and Ollie (Vandersluis) Godfrey. She attended and graduated from Lovilia High School. After high school, Vera married Dwayne Klobnak on June 2, 1952 in Pella and they moved to Chicago to start their family. When Vera moved back to Hamilton, she started a small business as a dog breeder.

Vera was a member of the Humane Society and the Wildlife Organization. She loved animals of all kinds and had a passion for helping others in her community care for their animals as well. She enjoyed working and being outdoors, reading, music, and spending time with her family and friends. She is survived by her children, James Warren Klobnak of Kansas City, Missouri, Kristina Lynn Klobnak of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Kathryn Lee Klobnak and her husband Dalton Tomlinson of Overland Park, Kansas; step-grandchildren, Lt. Dalton Nicholas Tomlinson and his wife Sheri; step-great-grandchild Leyla Tomlinson; step-grandchild, Drew Tomlinson; brother-in-law, Larry Klobnak and his wife Joan, sister-in-law, Lucille Godfrey, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Pierce and Ollie Godfrey; husband, Dwayne Klobnak; father-in-law and mother-in-law Andrew and Molly (Groh) Klobnak; son, Thomas Wayne Klobnak; three sisters, Marie McCoy, Lola Williams, and Joyce Anderson; two brothers, Don and Raymond Godfrey;

brother-in-laws, Dick Williams and Rex McCoy, daughter-in-law, Cynthia Klobnak; and niece, Cheryl McCoy.

A memorial has been established to the Humane Society.

Tribute Wall



“ *Vera Jean Klobnak*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Vera Jean Klobnak*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Kris, Kathy & Jim*

I had alot of good coffee times when I was younger and my kids were little with your mother. She was a very special lady, so kind hearted and willing to help you with any animals. She will greatly missed.

Carol Hoy Long - April 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hey guys, I am so sorry to hear that Aunt Vera passed away. She always made me laugh and I loved the times we were able to get together.*

You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Love ya Mike and Cindy

Mike Williams - April 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ My dear precious Kathy and family..please accept my most heartfelt sympathy on the loss of your mom. I never remember seeing Vera but what she was smiling. Her legacy will continue to live in you Kathy...the same sweet, loving character...
May God be with you at this very difficult time. Please know that I will always be as close as your phone for you. Take Care. Love you always. Darla

Darla Wallace - April 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ Dearest Kathryn - My heart goes out to you for the loss of your mother. Some of my fondest memories include our conversations about how lucky we were growing up with wonderful women like your Vera & my Linchen. Please know that you, Dalton and your family are in our prayers and may your loving memories of your mother be a source of comfort and relief. Love you Selma!!
Debbie & Brian Tunks

Debbie Tunks - April 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Vera's passing. My condolences and prayers are with you at this time. I and my mother Sylvia Godfrey got several dogs from Vera and I visited her every time I went to Hamilton. She was such a blessing to every one that knew her. May God bless you and comfort your family at this time of your loss.
Sincerely, Donna Hukill

Donna Mae (Godfrey) Hukill - April 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ We were surprised and sad to hear of Vera's passing. Our condolences and prayers are sent to you and your family. May the Lord Bless you and comfort you as you honor your mother's life. My mother got several dogs from Vera and we still have Trina (now 17 years old) with us.

Darold & Jan Godfrey - April 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ Jim, Kris & Kathy. I was sad to hear about Aunt Vera's passing. Michael called me and told me about it last Friday. Please know that i'm thinking of all of you and remembering the fun times we had growing up in the wilderness of Hamilton, IA. Missing your mom will never go away, but neither will the memories you will have of her for the rest of your lives. Because of my job commitment I won't be able to attend the funeral but my thoughts and prayers will be with all 3 of you.

Mary Lou

MARY LOU GRANQUIST - April 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Kathryn, I'm so sorry. The loss of a mom is a loss like no other. The few times I met her she seemed like such a sweetie. And the dogs of Iowa have lost a great friend.

Your friends are here for you. Julie

Julie Criner - April 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ On behalf of the extended Groh family, I would like to express our sincere condolences to Vera's children and other family members.

I will remember Vera as a lady with a tender heart, a strong spirit and a hearty laugh.

We wish you God's love and peace.

John and Sue Groh - April 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Jim,

Our condolences to you and your family on the loss of your mother. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Please know we are there for you in your time of need.

Jean and Doug Peters-Baker

Doug and Jean Peters-Baker - April 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Marge and I wish to offer our condolences too. Vera's dad and my grand dad Arza were brothers and I remember all of them with fond memories. I will not be able to make it to the services because of a hospital test, but you will be in my thoughts. May God bless you all and help you find solace.

Clifton Godfrey - April 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Kathryn and Family,
No one knows your loss but those around you can help you through. Thinking of you.

Martha Welshans - April 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JI

“ So very sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Our thoughts are with you. Theresa Crayon & family

Jim - April 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ The passing of a parent is always a time of sadness but remember the loving, the giving and the life lived. My best to Kathy and Jim, and all of the family.

Bruce Rodgers - April 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ Our sincere condolences to your family on the passing on your wonderful Mother, Vera. She was a very special woman and will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

May God comfort you in the days ahead and may your precious memories give you peace during this most difficult time.

We love you.

Lynn and Pat Engel

Lynn and Pat Engel - April 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Kathy, nothing I can say or do will take away your pain, but I just wanted you to know just how much having you and your Mom as my friends has made my life richer and my memories more precious...

Love you both, so very much. God Bless-

Dee, Russ, Cole, Alex and Garrett - April 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Dear Kathryn, It's with fond memories I recall cleaning your house and chatting with your Mom on an occasion she came to visit you and Dalton. She truly had a warm and gentle spirit that she obviously passed on to you! Please let me know if there is anything I can do for you. Take care, Lisa Creek

Lisa Creek - April 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Jim,

Our hearts, condolences, and prayers go out to you and your family from our family in this most trying time. My the Lord look down and welcome your Mother with open arms to her new Homecoming. God Bless You All.

Sherwood and Cynthia Smith

Sherwood and Cynthia Smith - April 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Jim~

*So sorry to hear of your mother Vera's passing.
May your family find comfort in her memory.*

Jim Pener - April 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ I would like to express my deepest sympathy on the passing of Vera. She was one of my mom's best friends. I remember fondly going over to her house and playing with all the puppies while she and Debbie and my mom, Kamarie visited. I'm sure they will be doing that again soon in heaven! My thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Karrie Visser-Hutchinson

Karrie Hutchinson - April 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM