



Viola Fern Howie

October 22, 1950 - December 22, 2022

Viola Fern Bellon Howie age, 72, of Lovilia, IA, passed away on Thursday, December 22, 2022, at the Good Samaritan Society in Ottumwa, IA, under the care of Hospice of Davis and Wapello Counties.

Viola was born in Corydon, IA, on October 22, 1950, to John Ambrose and Twila Maxine (Haff) Bellon. She grew up in Corydon and graduated from the Wayne County High School with the class of 1969. On November 28, 1969, she was united in marriage to James Edward Howie at the First Assemblies of God Church in Corydon. Viola and James were blessed with 4 children, Chawn, Heather, James R. and Joshua, and shared 53 years of marriage prior to her passing.

Viola worked as a shipping supervisor at Lamont Limited in Burlington for many years. After retiring, she went back to work in food service for the Burlington school district. Viola enjoyed bowling, archery, and needlework. She loved to go for walks in the park with her husband. Above all else, Viola loved her family and Jesus and she cherished all of the time she spent with her family.

Viola is survived by her husband Jim; her four children, Chawn (Bret) Daniel of Bois D'arc, MO, Heather Burk of Albia, James R. (Loretta Hash) Howie of Springfield, MO, and Joshua Howie of Burlington, IA; 6 grandchildren, Caleb

(Alicia) Underwood, Rachael Burk, Emily Underwood, Jacob Underwood, Laney Burk, and Alyssa Duke; 2 great grandchildren, Nadia Higeons-Vasquez and Theodore Underwood; and 2 siblings, Victor Bellon (her twin) and Carmen Bellon. Viola is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends.

Viola was preceded in death by her parents, John and Twila Bellon; 3 brothers, John D., Terry and Albert; and 3 sisters, Shelby, Leona, and Nancy.

Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 27, 2023, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Viola's family present to greet family and friends.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 27, 2023, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia.

An open memorial has been established to the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Viola Fern Howie.*



May 25, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Viola Fern Howie.

May 25, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *Viola Fern Howie*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Viola Fern Howie*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Viola's passing. Sending thoughts and prayers to the family. Cheryl Bay Hellyer, a class mate.*

Cheryl Hellyer - December 24, 2022 at 12:57 PM

JS

“ Always hard to learn of the death of a class mate. May she rest in peace and condolences to her family and friends..

John Schamp - December 23, 2022 at 09:58 PM

RS

“ Prayers and thoughts are with the family. Peace be with the family.

Rachael Whaley Stauffer - December 23, 2022 at 03:55 PM