



Carol P. Bruning

May 5, 1935 - March 26, 2020

Carol Pauline (Schweitzer) Bruning, was born on May 30, 1935, to William and Pauline (Noel) Schweitzer, near Strang, Nebraska. She passed away on Thursday, March 26, 2020, at the Hooper Care Center in Hooper, Nebraska at the age of 84. She was the youngest of five children.

Carol accepted Christ as her personal Savior in her youth. She was baptized and joined the Salem Mennonite Church, rural Shickley, Nebraska. She attended country school near Strang, Nebraska through the eighth grade. She then worked on the farm helping her dad and brothers until she got married.

Carol married Stanley George Bruning on May 3, 1959, at the Salem Mennonite Church, rural Shickley, Nebraska. The couple first lived in Bruning, Nebraska for a short period of time. They then moved to the family farm, where Stanley and Carol briefly farmed, before moving to Shickley, Nebraska. In Shickley, they raised their three children: Tom, Brent and Julie. Carol worked hard to provide for her children, holding many jobs throughout her life. She worked at Busse Food Center in Shickley, while cleaning houses and selling Avon door to door. She also worked at the Shickley Public School alongside her husband as a janitor and also at the Longhorn Café. She then did private home health care, and she worked at the Fillmore County Hospital as a cook. She received her certified nursing assistant certificate and started working at Heritage Crossings in Geneva, and then she went to work at

Fairview Manor in Fairmont before retiring.

Carol's strong faith in Christ was always the center of her life. She loved sewing, baking, gardening and canning foods. Her greatest joy was spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Carol was preceded in death by her parents; husband Stanley; brothers, Boyd and Lyle; sisters Doris Lichti and Ruth Swatzenruber, two sisters-in-law and two brothers-in-law.

Carol is survived by sons Tom Pokaluk (Sue Beck) and Brent Bruning; daughter Julie Kriete (Larry); sister-in-law Laurine Schweitzer; brothers-in-law Ross (Joann) Bruning, Wayne (Helen) Bruning; grandchildren Ben Bruning (Loretta), Phil Bruning, Nick Naimon, Matthew Naimon, Steven Naimon, Nathan (Alexis) Kriete, Josh Kriete and Nicole Warford; great grandchildren Draco Bruning, Ares Bruning, Wade Kriete and Hope Warford; along with many nieces and nephews.

A Graveside Service for Carol was held on Monday, March 30, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. at the Bruning Public Cemetery in Bruning, Nebraska. Pastor Shawn Nolt officiated the Service.

Farmer & Son Funeral Home was in care of the arrangements and online condolences can be left at www.farmerandsonfuneralhome.com

Memorials are suggested to the Salem Mennonite Church, rural Shickley, Nebraska or the Evangelical Free Church, Geneva, Nebraska.

Cemetery Details

Bruning Public Cemetery

Bruning, NE 68322

Tribute Wall

EE

“ As Carol's chaplain and friend, it has been a privilege and honor to have known her. So grateful to God for that opportunity and the memories we shared. She always smiled despite her circumstances and had a heart full of unwavering faith! Her kindness and warm smile will always remain with me. My condolences and prayer go out to the rest of the family.

Erick Eeri - April 03, 2020 at 04:55 PM

KE

“ I had the privilege of being Carol's social worker while she was on hospice cares. Carol had the biggest heart and was welcoming to everyone who wanted to talk with her. Her faith was strong and unwavering even throughout her sickness. She is now rejoicing in Heaven with her Lord and her beloved husband. Prayers and condolences to her family!

Kelsey - April 01, 2020 at 01:43 PM

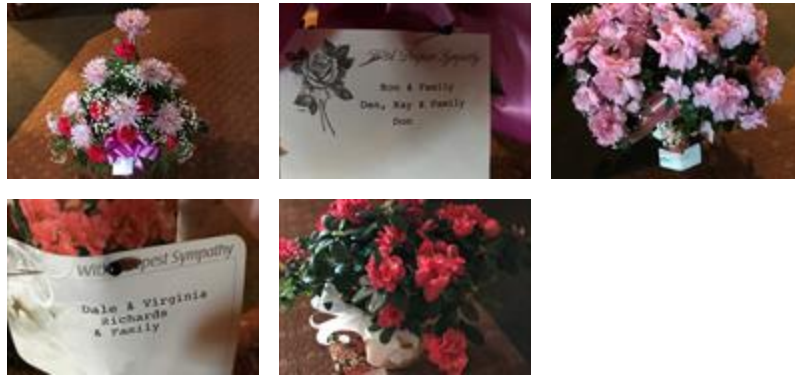
ER

“ Julie,
All of us at EJ have been keeping you in our thoughts and prayers. Some of us had the privilege of spending quite a bit of time with Carol and she has found a very special place in our hearts. She will remain with us forever and we are honored to have had the opportunity of knowing her. Please remember we are always here for you as well.

Erika - April 01, 2020 at 01:31 PM



“ 8 files added to the album *Bruning Flowers*



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - March 30, 2020 at 12:51 PM

VR

“ We got to know Stanley and Carol through our joining the EFree Church in Geneva. They were faithful members of our Sunday school. We also went to their home on Wednesday nights for Bible study. She always had some homemade refreshment for us to enjoy during the study. Carol enjoyed her flowers as well as the many knickknacks she displayed in her home. We are sorry we couldn't visit with the family because of the quarantine.

Virginia Richards - March 29, 2020 at 08:19 PM

BB

“ May the Good Lord show u comfort during this time. I knew Carol thru Julie and her kids. But I would see her at the hospital every now and than. She would always say hi to me.

Brenda Bonin - March 29, 2020 at 09:43 AM

DS

“ Dorene Sattler lit a candle in memory of Carol P. Bruning



Dorene Sattler - March 28, 2020 at 12:17 PM

LW

“ Our thoughts and prayers to Carol's Family. I meet Carol on January 2, 2020 when my Mom Gloria Wegner moved to Hooper Care Center as Carol roommate. I enjoyed visiting with Carol when ever I stopped to visit my Mom. Carol would always ask how I was doing and talk about her children and grandchildren. Some day's she would offer me a treat. Now to talk about "small town" not knowing until Carol gained her Angel wings and reading her obituary. I know her son-in-law Larry from our high school day's. Our thoughts and prayers at this time of sorrow.
Gloria and Linda Wegner

Linda Wegner - March 27, 2020 at 05:03 PM

JZ

“ I want you all to know that I really enjoyed both your Mom/Grandma and Dad/Grandpa as we pretty consistently would see them at Subway in Geneva, NE as we'd be there the same time after church on many Sundays. It seemed if they met you once they were friends for life as would remember many particulars about your life. Since those times at Subway we would see each other pretty consistently and I always enjoyed your Dad's wisdom and humor and your Mom's humor. I had lost touch once they moved to the Hooper nursing home and hadn't realized Stanley died in August but I'm sure they both are really enjoying themselves now! Jeanie Zink-Wythers

Jeanie Zink-Wythers - March 27, 2020 at 10:21 AM

LE

“ *Brent, Julie, Tom and families,
Our sincere sympathy in the loss of your Mother. May your
memories be special and may the peace of Christ be yours during
this difficult time.
Our love to all
Larry & Barbara Eichelberger*

Larry Eichelberger - March 27, 2020 at 09:59 AM

VJ

“ *Virginia Johnson lit a candle in memory of
Carol P. Bruning*



Virginia Johnson - March 27, 2020 at 09:20 AM