



## Hope L. Weaver

April 25, 1925 - September 22, 2016

Funeral Mass for Hope will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Geneva, Nebraska. Rosary will be 7:30 p.m. Monday Evening at the Church.

Visitation will be 1 hour prior to the Rosary Monday and 1 hour prior to the Funeral Mass on Tuesday.

Burial will be in the St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery. Memorials are directed to the family for later designation in lieu of flowers.

Hope Lorraine Hampton Weaver died Thursday September 22, 2016, at the age of 91 in Lincoln, Nebraska. Hope was born in Chadron, NE on April 25, 1925, the daughter of Florence Mildred Naylor Hampton and Walter John Hampton.

Hope was preceded in death by her parents and husband of 43 years, Leslie K. Weaver, who died June 4, 1994. Hope spent her childhood in Chadron, NE. She graduated from Chadron Prep High School in 1942 as Valedictorian. She continued her education at Chadron State Teachers College majoring in Education. She was honored as First Scholar in her graduating class. After graduation, she began her teaching career at Ogallala and Chadron High Schools.

On June 21, 1950 Hope married the love of her life, Leslie K. Weaver. From this union, they had three children, Kathy, Bill, and Diane. Together they were educators in public education in Kansas and Nebraska until their retirement. Throughout her career, Hope fulfilled many different educational roles including Home Economics, History, Librarian and Primary, Secondary Education and Media Director of ESU #8. Hope ended her career as Staff Development Director of ESU #8 , Neligh, Nebraska

Hope was very involved and served many professional organizations: Delta Kappa Gamma, NEMA, NSEA and NSEA-Retired,. She served on many local and state boards in these organizations.

There was no more loyal or optimistic sports fan than Hope for her family and Nebraska Cornhuskers. Close friends nicknamed her “Husker Hope”. She was proud of her active and loyal commitment to the Democratic Party.

Hope took great pride and her ever-widening circle of friends, including those kind and supportive friends at the Legacy in her later years of life. She especially connected with the staff and servers at the Legacy Retirement Community. All fondly referred her to as “Grandma Hope”. She will be truly be missed.

Hope is survived by a son, William Dean and wife, Carol, of Geneva, NE; two daughters, Kathy Sue and husband, John Halpin of Overland Park, KS, and Diane Marie and husband, Victor Jacobson, of Hebron, NE. She is survived by seven grandchildren and nine great-grand children. She is survived by two brothers, Robert Hampton of Omaha, NE, and James Hampton and wife Shirlee of Northport, MI.

# Tribute Wall



“ 55 files added to the album *Flowers*



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - September 28, 2016 at 11:01 AM

GD

“ *Jim and Shirlee, Weaver Family, Julie and Mike, Robyn and Greg, and Jodie and Ed: Our deepest sympathy on the loss of your family's matriarch, Hope. I am sure she would be pleased to know that you were all together today, sharing wonderful memories of happier times together. Hopefully, may your shared sadness be assuaged by your knowledge of the love she had for each of you and never failed to communicate it to you. Please know that we accompany you in your sorrow.*

*Ginny and Jack Dorrien*

Ginny and Jack Dorrien - September 27, 2016 at 04:43 PM

ME

“ *Hope was a great friend to my mom Joyce and she will be dearly missed. Mark and enjoyed many meals and conversations with her. She always spoke lovingly of her family and was fun to be around.*  
*Melissa and Mark Epp*

Melissa - September 26, 2016 at 11:44 PM

JC

“ *My deepest sympathy to you all on the loss of your Mom. I have such good memories of her being in the library in Valley Heights High School! I also remember all the times spent at your house with all of you - it seems like yesterday! Wishing you peace during this time of loss - I think often of you all and the good times we had in Blue Rapids. Janis Wanamaker Cole*

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**Janis Wanamaker Cole** - September 26, 2016 at 08:39 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Hope L. Weaver.*



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September 26, 2016 at 03:53 PM

JB

“ *Hope always had a kind word, a welcoming warmth, and a twinkle in her eye! We see her smile in our sweet Caroline and her enthusiastic love for sports in William. Can't wait to see her shine through in Macklynn soon. Hope has left so many gifts and joys that we will all enjoy for many years to come.*

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**Jeff and Deb Bennett** - September 26, 2016 at 03:01 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Hope L. Weaver.*



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September 26, 2016 at 02:25 PM

DB

“ Hope was warm and friendly to everyone who was blessed to meet her. I was always amazed at how she remembered me and would even inquire about our children. May she rest in comfort, and may her love continue in the lives of all who knew her. Wish we could be there in person to celebrate her life on Tuesday, but you will all be in my thoughts and prayers this week.  
Deb

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**Deb Bixby** - September 25, 2016 at 11:27 PM

GB

“ Les and Hope were one of the first couples to welcome us to Neligh. We were so thankful for their friendship. Our sympathy to the Weaver family. Brian and Gloria

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**Gloria and Brian** - September 25, 2016 at 09:51 PM

DL

“ I am saddened to learn of Hope's passing. I have known Hope for many years, and I will always hold her in my highest esteem, for she was wonderful friend and colleague in education. I extend my heartfelt sympathy to Hope's family--please know that Hope lives on in the hearts and memories of all of us whose lives she touched so positively.

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**Dennis Lichty** - September 25, 2016 at 09:15 PM

BT

“ Thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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**Barb Taylor** - September 25, 2016 at 02:10 PM

RG

“ Hope was one of my best friends, I missed her greatly when she moved from Neligh even though I knew that was best. Telephones and emails and an occasional visit at the Legacy have been a good "keep in touch." Rest in peace Hope -- you are truly a fine lady and a memory I will cherish forever.

*Fran*

*I always enjoyed having discussions with Hope about Husker football. We both enjoyed decorating her yard for Christmas. Those decorations are still used in our church's yard at Christmas. Always enjoyed being around her.*

*Ron Gilg*

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**Ron Gilg** - September 25, 2016 at 10:36 AM

SK

“ Hope was a wonderful person! I got to know her as a co-worker and a friend. My thoughts and prayers are with her family at this time.

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**Sheila Eppler Kropp** - September 25, 2016 at 08:58 AM

EB

“ Hope was a long time friend. The last few years a phone friend. She kept me posted with the family especially her great granddaughters struggles. I hope someone will continue to do this.

*I will miss her cheerful hello and conversations. Nebraska could not have had a stronger sports fan. Rest in peace Hope.*

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**Eunice Banning** - September 25, 2016 at 07:42 AM

AH

“ When my family moved to Neligh in !977, Les and Hope weaver opened their hearts for our family and with their gentle caring and encouragement our children adjusted in school, sports and the community in general. They were always so very supportive. Hope was one of the nicest, kindest, and caring people that I was fortunate to know. Always so interested in my children and followed their whereabouts. She was a phenomenal woman, an angel for McKenzie and the biggest Husker fan and she will so be missed. My deepest condolences to the family, my love, thoughts and Prayers are with you during this most difficult time. Peace and sympathy, Avis Heithoff and family

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**Avis Heithoff** - September 25, 2016 at 01:19 AM

JM

“ Grandma Hope was a special lady. She sat through some of the hottest days in Nebraska just to watch softball games. She supported and encouraged me throughout my sports career. She liked to bring up memories of those days. A great lady with a BIG heart. Grandma Hope will truly be missed.

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**Jill McCoy** - September 24, 2016 at 11:26 PM

SK

“ Hope welcomed us to the Weaver home. Diane and I had some crazy sleepovers. Always a smile. Peace and strength for you, Diane.

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**Sharon Kryger** - September 24, 2016 at 08:35 AM

DC

“ Mrs. Weaver was a kind and loving host when we were at her home with Diane during high school. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Denise Carstensen Cook & Dianne Carstensen Slaight

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**denise cook** - September 24, 2016 at 08:15 AM