



Johnet Saunders

August 24, 1939 - January 15, 2021

Johnet Saunders, 81, of Oskaloosa passed away at her home in Oskaloosa, Iowa on Friday, January 15, 2021. She was born August 24, 1939 in Hooper, Nebraska the daughter of Harold and Marie (Dunne) Weber. She graduated from the Manilla Community High School in Manilla, Iowa. On December 1, 1957 she was united in marriage to Dale Saunders at the Manilla Presbyterian Church. To this union two sons were born, Rob and Jay. Johnet and Dale enjoyed 55 years of marriage together until Dale's passing in 2012.

Johnet was a homemaker for most of her working life taking care of her family, her home and helping Dale on the farm. The couple farmed near Manilla and raised hogs and purebred British White cattle. She also worked at the Manilla Manor Care Center as a cook for a several years. She was a member of the Denison United Presbyterian Church and the Manilla Women's Club for many years. In her younger years, Johnet enjoyed sewing and being involved as a leader in 4-H. She enjoyed reading, tending to her flowers, gardening, watching the birds and had a special love for cats. Johnet was an excellent cook and was especially good at making desserts.

Her family includes her two sons, Rob (Auda Childs) Saunders of Oskaloosa and Jay (Laura) Saunders of Pella; four grandchildren, Brian Saunders, Katherine (Larcen Carkhuff) Saunders, Matt Saunders and Adam (Shian) Saunders and two great grandchildren, Hila Carkhuff and Garrett Saunders.

Johnet was preceded in death by her husband; her parents and a sister, Vaudine Weber-Mariner.

As was Johnet's wish, her body will be cremated, and a private family service will be held at a later date. The Bates Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. Memorials may be made to Stephen Memorial Animal Shelter.

Comments



“ I always enjoyed conversations with Johnet about antiques, gardening, and hearing updates on her family. She was such a wonderful woman. She will be missed dearly.

Erika Williams - March 20 at 07:23 AM



“ Johnet was my 4-H leader over fifty years ago. She left our club with many fond memories, plus we learned so much. Beautiful lady...so sorry...



Lola Rowedder - January 21 at 11:55 AM



“ I will always remember her beautiful flower gardens and her vegetable gardens. I'm sorry for your loss. You are all in my thoughts.



Karen Hanson - January 18 at 09:30 PM



“ I have many happy memories of family reunions with my cousin, Johnet. We loved to talk over old times and the memories we had of our aunts, uncles and cousins. She will be missed.

Zenna Hall - January 17 at 06:25 PM



“ Rob and Jay, we are so sorry for the loss of your mom. I remember all the wonderful Weber Family Reunions and how she always took time to talk with everyone. My mom and your mom shared a love of family, cats, food and flowers. Prayers to your family.

Rodney and Mary (Mann) Brown - February 03 at 06:53 PM



“ Cindy Mott lit a candle in memory of Johnet Saunders



Cindy Mott - January 17 at 02:40 PM