



## Linda L. Jacobsen

May 14, 1949 - July 29, 2020

Linda Lou Jacobsen, 71, of Minden, passed away on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at Kearney Regional Medical Center. Memorial services will be held on Friday, August 7, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at the Minden Evangelical Free Church with the Rev. Tom Barnes officiating. Private family inurnment will be held at the Norman Cemetery. The service will be streamed to the church's YouTube channel and the funeral home's Facebook page. Visitation will be held from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 6, 2020 at Craig Funeral Home in Minden. Cremation will take place following the visitation. Current health recommendations for faith based services will be followed and the use of a face mask is encouraged. Memorials in Linda's honor are kindly suggested to the Kearney County Health Services Foundation or Bethany Home in Minden. Craig Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Linda was born on May 14, 1949 in Minden to Edgar J. and Myrtle B. (Mann) Jacobsen. She grew up in the Minden area, and attended school at Minden High School and Queen Anne's Beauty School. Linda worked at the Kearney County Hospital for 20 years and at Bethany Home for 15 years before retiring in 2019.

She was a member of Keene Evangelical Free Church, and enjoyed drawing, plants, reading the Bible and just maintaining what God had provided.

Those left to cherish her memory include her brothers, Dale (Celesta) Jacobsen of Phoenix, AZ, Leland (Annette) Jacobsen of Cool, CA, Rollie (Evelyn) Jacobsen of Norman and Chuck (Rebecca Miller) Jacobsen of Minden; sisters, Joyce (Ellery) Peterson of Kearney, Terrie Gould of Minden and Sandy Danielson (her twin sister) of Minden; as well as a host of extended relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; siblings, Pete Jacobsen, Harriet Samson, Kenny Jacobsen and Bob Jacobsen.

Tributes and memories can be shared with the family at [www.craigfunerals.com](http://www.craigfunerals.com).



# Cemetery

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# Events

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## Norman Cemetery

Norman, NE,

**AUG** **Visitation** 01:30PM - 03:30PM

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Craig Funeral Home

336 N Nebraska Ave, Minden, NE, US, 68959

**AUG** **Memorial Service** 02:00PM

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Minden Evangelical Free Church

Minden, NE, US

# Comments

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“ Sending our deepest sympathy to the family. Joyce and Ellery sending prayers and hugs at this difficult time. Charles and Linda Anderson

Charles and Linda Anderson - August 13, 2020 at 09:58 AM

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“ We worked at Pioneer Village Restaurant where I met my favorite twins. My first car was a 40 ford & it was summer we went to a sandpit to swim where sunfish came up & nipped at us. Linda was real & I'm glad I got to see her at our 50th.

Jim Huston

James Huston - August 08, 2020 at 05:46 PM

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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Linda L. Jacobsen.



August 05, 2020 at 10:32 AM

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“ O. Webb lit a candle in memory of Linda L. Jacobsen



O. webb - August 03, 2020 at 04:10 PM



“ What a joy to have gotten to know this lady. She joined out little Monday mornings Bible study and time at donut shop afterwards. She is praising our Lord with Him right now.

O. webb - August 03, 2020 at 04:12 PM



“ On behalf of the Class of 1967, our condolences are to the family of our dear classmate Linda. She had such a beautiful smile and such a fun sense of humor, all without malice toward anyone. She will definitely be missed.

**Gloria LeDroit** - August 03, 2020 at 03:26 PM

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“ My earliest memories of Aunt Linda were as a playmate since she was only 2 years older than I was. When my family came to Minden during many summers, Linda was always ready to find something fun to do. During visits, I usually stayed in Linda & Sandy’s bedroom and we’d talk about girl stuff. I fondly remember that Linda and I used to climb on Grandpa’s workshop roof to lay there and watch for shooting stars. The tubing trip with her down the Republic River stands out as a summer highlight. Linda always found time for us so I thought of her as more of a sister than an aunt.

When as we grew older, our “fun” changed; in the summer of ’67, she took me to my first grownup party (I was 15); the next day found me nursing a serious hangover. But we kept in touch with letters over the years and shared our hearts. She often mentioned her love of gardening and plants, of fishing and camping. She liked to work awhile and then “bum around” as she called it, doing whatever she wanted - like getting a tan. We shared our love of books and soon realized that we were making some bad choices in our lives. Over the span of a year or two, we both gave our lives to Jesus Christ. She told me she was baptized on Apr 5, 1980, testifying to her new life in Christ. Jesus became her Savior, her Rock and her Light. Linda was voracious with books and Bible study; she never felt like she was spending enough time studying the Bible or praying for her family. Verses of Scripture were immersed in all her letters. Her whole focus turned from living for herself to pleasing God and helping others. She readily admitted that she still had some bad habits in her life; in one letter, she told me she even made a list and said she counted 28! But she was trusting the Lord to work through her and make her more like Him. In her letters, she often mentioned her sisters and other Minden family members and how they were doing. She liked getting together to help each other out. When she had cancer, she only mentioned it after she completed the radiation. Her relationship with twin Sandy was very important to her even if they knocked heads once in a while. In a letter in 1996, she asked herself “what have I accomplished the last six months that really counts for eternity?” And she answered it “I know God has given me the gift of time. We are to use it wisely and be good stewards of what He has given us.” He gave her 24 more years.

As the years went by, she became more interested in Bible prophecy and Jesus’s return. We shared books and ideas about His second coming. She was always thankful for what God was doing in her life and was such an encourager even if her life wasn’t perfect. She stood tall and strong because she knew there was a reason for everything. Jesus had given her Life and Purpose and she was faithful to the task. In one of her letters, she quoted a passage from a book by Corrie Ten Boom, a Holocaust survivor and follower of Jesus:

My life is but a weaving, between my God and me,  
I do not choose the colors, He worketh steadily.  
Oftimes He weaveth sorrow, and I in foolish pride,  
Forget He sees the upper, and I the underside.  
Not till the loom is silent and the shuttle cease to fly,  
Will God unroll the canvass and explain the reason why,  
The dark threads are as needful in the skillful Weaver’s hand,

As the threads of gold and silver in the pattern that He planned.

Linda's life had a couple dark threads but the light of Jesus shone through her to others and the picture of her life was a beautiful pattern to those who loved her. All our lives were enriched by knowing her. We miss you Linda but will see you again soon and for eternity!

Niece Cheryl Head

**Cheryl Head** - August 03, 2020 at 10:54 AM



“ I saw Linda at Bethany Home many times when I was visiting my mom, Viola Anderson Johnson. She had a smile on her face and despite the obstacles in her life, she showed no malice. I am certain that she is smiling from heaven and probably offering to help anyone needing a lift. She was a blessing to all who knew her. Thank God for sharing Linda with so many of us.

**Patty Johnson Hoffman** - August 26, 2020 at 12:08 PM

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“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Linda L. Jacobsen.



August 03, 2020 at 09:55 AM

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“ Teresa Sumstine lit a candle in memory of Linda L. Jacobsen



**Teresa Sumstine** - August 02, 2020 at 07:29 PM

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“ Mike and Teresa Sumstine purchased the Lavender Love Bouquet for the family of Linda L. Jacobsen.



**Teresa Sumstine** - August 02, 2020 at 07:25 PM

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“ Jim Samson purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Linda L. Jacobsen.



**Jim Samson** - August 02, 2020 at 04:53 PM

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“ Joyce Will lit a candle in memory of Linda L. Jacobsen



**Joyce Will** - August 02, 2020 at 03:13 PM