



## Ardith J. Svitak

March 1, 1958 - October 22, 2021

HOWELLS -- Funeral service for Ardith J. Svitak, 63, of Howells will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at the St. John's Catholic Church in Howells. Officiating will be Father Stanley Schmit. Interment will be at the St. Henry's Cemetery, rural Howells. Visitation will be 5:00-7:00 p.m., Tuesday, also at the St. John's Catholic Church in Howells with a vigil service beginning at 7:00 p.m. Ardith passed away on Friday, October 22, 2021 at her residence in Howells. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made to the family for a later designation. The service will be live-streamed on the Stonacek Funeral Chapel Facebook page. Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk is in charge of the arrangements.

Ardith was born on March 1, 1958 in Norfolk, NE, to Harry and LaVerne (Harms) Warneke. She attended grade school at a rural county district school outside of Tilden and graduated from Randolph High School. She then attended Northeast Community College in Norfolk.

She married Douglas Svitak on May 10, 1980 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Osmond, NE. After their marriage Ardith and Doug moved to Howells.

Throughout her life, she worked at the Norfolk YMCA, Stanton Newspaper, Gaskill Insurance in Norfolk, Howells Poultry, and the Norfolk Shopper. She was currently working for At Your Service In Home Care located in Neligh, and serving at The Grain Bin in Howells. Ardith was active with the Stanton County 4-H Club and also as the Horticulture Leader. In her free time, she enjoyed

sewing, quilting, camping, spending time with her grandkids and researching her family's genealogy.

Survivors include: Husband Douglas Svitak, daughter Stephanie (Ross) Cohn of Norfolk, son Steven (Miranda) Svitak of Leigh. Grandchildren; Lily Cohn, Madison Cohn, Nicholas Cohn, Jessica Cohn, Barrett Svitak, Dakota Svitak, Benelli Svitak, Riggins Svitak and Sienna Svitak. Sisters; Julene (Ron) Butterfield of Stanton, Brenda (Ken) Thomas of Stanton, and Debbie Warneke of Stanton. She was preceded in death by her parents Harry and LaVerne Warneke, and brother Roland Warneke.

Deacon will be Bill Schlautmann, organist will be Wayne Molacek and the St. John's Choir and St. Peter and Paul Choir will be singing. Casket bearers will be Steven Svitak, Eugene Svitak, Jason Hassler, Jeremy Hassler, Kyle Vering, Lee Vering. Honorary casket bearers will be Ardith's grandchildren.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at [www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com](http://www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **26.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM.

St. John's Catholic Church  
Howells, NE

## Vigil Service

OCT **26.** 7:00 PM.

St. John's Catholic Church  
Howells, NE

## Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **27.** 10:30 AM.

St. John's Catholic Church  
Howells, NE

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ardith J. Svitak*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *"Douglas and family, Our hearts are saddened at your loss. Prayers and hugs are being sent your way. "*

*Marilyn (Kucera) Zarkowski*

**Marilyn Zarkowski** - October 27, 2021 at 09:10 AM



“ *Doug & Family, We are so sorry to hear about Ardith. Sending you hugs & prayers to help you through this time. We always appreciated Ardith while you guys were working with Dad. Her heart was huge in kindness & helping people.*

**Janet & Craig Breitreutz** - October 26, 2021 at 03:05 PM



“ *Douglas and family we will all miss Ardith . when she was in the Columbus area she would stop in and visit with me at my store, we would trade idea on how to store our many items for the projects we would be working on. We even shared meals at the little café, When I was trying to get things ready after mom passed she was there always offering a hand. I know I haven't been around Howells much lately but I always will be looking for her to pop in at my shop around dinner time. May the Lord Bless each one of you and remember all the good times.*



**Joyce and Harvey Kucera** - October 24, 2021 at 09:52 PM

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“ *Doug and family,  
My sincere sympathy on the loss of Ardith, our dear friend. May She  
Rest With the Risen Lord.  
Mary Svitak and family*

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**Mary Svitak** - October 23, 2021 at 12:33 PM