



Darlene J. Kortje

June 1, 1932 - December 9, 2025

NORFOLK – Memorial service for Darlene June Kortje, 93, of Norfolk, will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, December 15, 2025 at the Our Savior Lutheran Church in Norfolk. Rev. Eric Gradberg will be officiating the service. Private family burial will be held at a later date. Visitation will begin one hour prior to the service at the church. Darlene passed away on Tuesday, December 9, 2025 at the Faith Regional Hospital in Norfolk. Stonacek Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Darlene was born on June 1, 1932 in Rock Falls, Nebraska to William and Alda (Jungbluth) Steskal. She married Dean Kortje on March 12, 1955 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Norfolk. Darlene cleaned homes in the area and then worked at Heritage of Bel-Air Nursing Home in Norfolk. She enjoyed gardening, playing cards, word search and crossword puzzles, camping, and spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her children Tim (Barb) Kortje of Norfolk, Allan Kortje of Norfolk, Gary (Kim) Kortje of Sunrise Beach, Missouri, Jay (Kristi) Kortje of Norfolk, 9 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, siblings Bonnie (John) Glenn, and Byron "Terry" (Diana) Steskal. She was preceded in death by her husband Dean Kortje on December 21, 2010, parents William and Alda, sisters Jean Birge, and Shirley Schultz.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Savior Lutheran Church
2420 W. Omaha Ave.
Norfolk, NE 68701
<http://www.oursav.org/>

Memorial Service

DEC 15. 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Savior Lutheran Church
2420 W. Omaha Ave.
Norfolk, NE 68701
<http://www.oursav.org/>

Tribute Wall

LW

“ *What a beautiful lady. Always had something that made her laugh or smile. I enjoyed her very much.
Kudos to the family for taking such good care of her.
Blessings to you all. Linda Wilcox*

Linda Wilcox - December 15, 2025 at 10:16 AM

SM

“ *Thinking of all of you in this time of grief.
Sherril Steskal McKeown*

Sherril Steskal McKeown - December 15, 2025 at 07:48 AM

YF

“ *Your I.A Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Darlene J. Kortje.*



Your I.A Family - December 12, 2025 at 11:09 PM

DK

“ *David and Sandra Kortje purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Darlene J. Kortje.*



David and Sandra Kortje - December 11, 2025 at 11:11 PM

NM

“ *She was such a wonderful lady, she will be missed. Prayers for all of you. The staff at the meadows.*

Nursing staff at the meadows - December 11, 2025 at 11:35 AM

VS

She will be greatly missed

Virginia Schmuecker - December 12, 2025 at 03:48 PM