



## Charlea Terpstra

March 20, 1927 - May 24, 2020

Charlea Terpstra, 92, of Oskaloosa passed away Sunday, May 24, 2020, at Crystal Heights Care Center in Oskaloosa

Mildred Charlea Terpstra was born March 20, 1927, in Oskaloosa, Iowa, to Lester “Leo” and Blanche “Marie” (Hartman) Hoit. She attended Star County School West Des Moines Township as a youngster. She began high school in Eddyville and finished at Oskaloosa High School in 1945. Mildred married John Evert Terpstra on her 21st birthday, March 20, 1948, at Central Reformed Church in Oskaloosa. They farmed southwest of Oskaloosa on a place they remained their entire married life. She enjoyed caring for her yard and growing flowers. As a child, her parents always took her to the Iowa State Fair, and that was a tradition that she and John continued with their family. In 1988, they began camping at the fair and continued that tradition through 2010.

All of Charlea’s family lives in the Oskaloosa area; they include her sons: Mike Terpstra and Larry (Marva) Terpstra; grandson, Derek (Ronda) Terpstra; great-grandchildren, Seth and Violet Terpstra; step-great-granddaughter, Paige Flynn; and great-step-grandson, Patrick Flynn. She is also survived by three nieces: Jill (Scott) Ewing and their sons: Kyle and Brett, and Laura Hoit, and Debbie Weston, all of Oskaloosa.

In addition to her parents and her husband, John on November 13, 2012, she was preceded in death by a sister, Carol (Jim) Bass, and a brother, Hubert Hoit.

Graveside Funeral Services for Charlea will be held at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 26, 2020, at Henness Cemetery in Mahaska County with Rev. Bruce Wittern of the Central United Methodist Church officiating. Langkamp Funeral Chapel has been entrusted with her arrangements. Memorial contributions can be made to Central United Methodist Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Henness Cemetery

1863 285th ST  
Oskaloosa, IA 52577

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAY **26**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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1863 285th ST  
Oskaloosa, IA 52577

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charlea Terpstra*

October 05, 2023 at 11:57 PM



“ *Larry & Marva, Mike and families,  
Sincere sympathy to all of you at this difficult time. Mothers hold a special place in our hearts. We used to have such good times when we would all get together. Always enjoyed visiting with Charlea on the phone. Know You are all in our thoughts and prayers in the coming days ahead.*

*Scott & Kathy  
Kyle, Heather, Cheyenne & Gage  
Stacy & Cyler Sammons*

**Kathy Shaw** - May 26, 2020 at 08:40 PM



“ *Jessica Kauffman lit a candle in memory of  
Charlea Terpstra*



**Jessica Kauffman** - May 25, 2020 at 08:34 PM



“ *Charlea , you were a very important person in my life! You taught me to be always be beautiful inside and out! Gods speed to be with John! Bill and I Love you both forever!!*

**Mary Carman** - May 25, 2020 at 02:23 PM

LF

“ *God speed Mildred. I will remember curlers and weeding your garden! You are a treasure.* ”



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**Larry & Linda Frazier** - May 25, 2020 at 09:31 AM

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“ *Just wanted to let you know the Rapp family is thinking and praying for you.* Sharon Vander Hart ”

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**sharon Vander Hart** - May 24, 2020 at 10:32 PM

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“ *My condolences to the family. Mike and Larry your Mother will be missed.* ”

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**Vicki Barnett** - May 24, 2020 at 09:15 PM