



## Virgie Mae Van Zee

April 24, 1941 - October 29, 2023

Virgie Van Zee, 82, of Pleasant Hill and formerly Oskaloosa, passed away Sunday morning, October 29, 2023, at her home in Pleasant Hill.

Virgie Mae Van Zee, daughter of Raymond and Hazel (Breuklander) Dickerson, was born on April 24, 1941, in Oskaloosa, Iowa. She was a 1959 graduate of Oskaloosa. On June 21, 1959, she married the love of her life, Dwight Van Zee, in Clarinda, Iowa. Dwight passed away on September 16, 2021. They made their home in Oskaloosa, and Virgie worked at Oskaloosa Produce for three years and a short time at Continental Overall Factory before enrolling in Ottumwa Beauty School. Following the completion of beauty school, she opened Beau Monde Beauty Salon. She operated the salon for nine years before selling it and working at Pella Corp. She remained at Pella Corp until her retirement in 2000.

Virgie enjoyed playing ball with her grandsons and attending their sporting events throughout grade and high school. She and Dwight enjoyed traveling in their RV, boating, and cycling all over the U.S. After their retirement, they took a seven-week tour of the Southwest and California in their motorhome and another seven-week trip to Alaska. Virgie was a member of the Rose Hill Community Church.

Virgie's family includes her children and their spouses: Rick and Virginia Van Zee of Pleasant Hill, Iowa, and Marlys and Slade Speers of Monroe, Iowa; three grandchildren: Crystal Lewis-Van Zee, Dalton (Taylor) Speers, and Sheldon (Katie) Speers; a great-grandson, Sterling Speers; four siblings: Shirley (Dave) Fox of Oskaloosa, Betty (Merlin) Robertson of Oskaloosa, Janet (Rick) Welch of Oskaloosa, and Paul (Lupe) Dickerson of Huntington Beach, California; and a sister-in-law, Sandy Dickerson of Oskaloosa.

Virgie was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Dwight, and a brother, Jerry Dickerson.

Funeral services for Virgie will be held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory, with Pastors Del bittner and Mike Sinnett officiating. Inurnment will be in Forest Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m.; the family will greet visitors from 1-2 p.m. before the service. Memorial Contributions can be made to Every Step Hospice, 3000 Easton Boulevard Suite 3, Des Moines, Iowa 50317-3124, or The Rose Hill Community Church.



# Cemetery Details

## Forest Cemetery

934 North 9th ST  
Oskaloosa, IA 52577  
secretary@forestcemetery.com  
<http://www.forestcemetery.org/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory  
2116 N 3rd St  
Oskaloosa, IA 52577  
(641) 672-2181  
langkampfuneralchapel@gmail.com  
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*The family will greet visitors from 1 p.m. to service time.*

## Funeral Service

NOV 1. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

BN

“ *Becky Netten lit a candle in memory of Virgie Mae Van Zee*



**Becky Netten** - November 09, 2023 at 05:29 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Virgie Mae Van Zee.*



October 31, 2023 at 02:20 PM

MB

“ *Marty Burke lit a candle in memory of Virgie Mae Van Zee*



**Marty burke** - October 31, 2023 at 01:27 PM

WS

“ *We cannot think of Virgie without thinking of Dwight, and visa-versa. We RVed and boated with them all over the United States and Canada. It was our blessing to have joined them on the long RV trips they made to Alaska and the Southwestern USA. In all of the time we spent together, there was never a cross word or complaint. Virgie was always smiling and willing to jump in and do whatever needed to be done. She was one of a kind and will be greatly missed. Our hearts go out the Rick, Marlis and their families. Bill and Carol Sarver*

**William Lee Sarver** - October 31, 2023 at 01:26 PM

MB

“ I have so many great memories with Virgie. We became friends in my teen age years. She was my maid of honor and we had babies within a few months apart. She has been a awesome friend through the years. I'm really going to miss saying good bye. The darn covid has hit me. Glad I seen you not long ago. RIP my dear sweet friend till we meet again. love to all the kids so sad for your loss. We are all going to miss her.

Marty burke - October 31, 2023 at 01:22 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Virgie Mae Van Zee.



October 31, 2023 at 12:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Virgie Mae Van Zee.

October 31, 2023 at 12:31 PM

BP

“ I remember Dwight and Virgie at the many family gatherings. Like the trip to the Ozarks, the Wednesday night demolition derbies, the ceramic classes at Jerry and Linda's, and their love and support when Junior was killed and Beverly was killed 30 years later. I will miss them. My prayers of comfort to Maryls and Rick during this time. Barbara (Breuklander) Price.

Barbara Breuklander Price - October 31, 2023 at 11:30 AM

JE

“ Jill Ewing lit a candle in memory of Virgie Mae Van Zee



Jill Ewing - October 31, 2023 at 11:25 AM

CB

“ Christy Burke-Smith lit a candle in memory of Virgie Mae Van Zee



Christy Burke-Smith - October 31, 2023 at 06:04 AM

EH

“ Enjoyed knowing and working with Virgie and our conversations over many years. Condolences to the family. Ed and Dixie.



Ed & Dixie Hoyt - October 30, 2023 at 11:51 PM

TB

“ Toni Breuklander lit a candle in memory of Virgie Mae Van Zee



Toni Breuklander - October 30, 2023 at 10:38 PM

AL

“ It was an honor to meet Mrs. Virgie. She always be a special memories to me specially when she pray for us before leaving on the RV for short vacation 🙏🙏

Alma - October 30, 2023 at 09:11 PM

JB

“ Judy Belzer lit a candle in memory of Virgie Mae Van Zee



Judy Belzer - October 30, 2023 at 06:16 PM

CF

“ Chuck And Jackie Ferree lit a candle in memory of Virgie Mae Van Zee



chuck and jackie ferree - October 30, 2023 at 06:07 PM

JH

“ Virgie was such a fun person with a warm personality. Thoughts and prayers to all her siblings .

Joyce Hugen - October 30, 2023 at 04:53 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Virgie Mae Van Zee.



October 30, 2023 at 03:26 PM



“ 86 files added to the album LifeTributes



Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory - October 30, 2023 at 02:51 PM

CC

“ Really enjoyed watching PCM Baseball and Football with her and Dwight. A special person  
Kirk & Cindi Carter

Cindi Carter - October 30, 2023 at 01:49 PM

JC

*Virginia gave me my first job at Beau Mone beauty shop when it was in the arcade building,next to old Dr. Bos office in '67 after I graduated from cosmetology school.first job in a shop,thank you Virgie,good times*

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**Jane Cox** - November 07, 2023 at 04:29 PM