



## Lois Elaine Hanson

July 24, 2018

Lois Elaine Angell Hanson, of Fort Collins, CO formerly of Tucson and Lakeside, AZ was called home to her Lord on July 24th after a lengthy struggle with Parkinson's. Memorial services will be held on Saturday, Aug. 4th at 1:00 pm at St. John's Lutheran Church, 305 E Elizabeth St., Fort Collins, CO. Goes Funeral Care in Fort Collins, is handling the arrangements. Interment service will be at a later date at East Lawn Cemetery, Tucson, AZ.

Survivors include her husband, Merlin Hanson; 3 sons, Dennis (Cil) of Rhode Island, Rick (Dena) of Tucson, AZ, and David (Lori) of Roseburg, Oregon; 9 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren; 3 brothers, Paul, John and Kenneth; and many nieces and nephews.

Lois was born August 15, 1936 in Fort Dodge, Iowa, and attended school there. She married Merlin Hanson in Great Falls, Montana July of 1954. The couple returned to Humboldt, Iowa and farmed and Merlin had a carpentry business. In 1960 they moved to Tucson, AZ to raise their family. Lois was very devoted to her husband and family. She was very active in various church activities most of her life. She will be missed by many family members and friends.

The family would like to sincerely thank her nurse Adam Federer and Pathways Hospice, and her many caregivers. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Pathways Hospice in Fort Collins.



# Comments

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“ David Hanson lit a candle in memory of Lois Elaine Hanson



David Hanson - March 15 at 01:25 AM

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“ David Hanson lit a candle in memory of Lois Elaine Hanson



David Hanson - September 24, 2020 at 05:45 AM

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“ Aunt Lois,  
I have so many wonderful memories of my Aunt Lois! She helped me so much through tough times as a child. The whole family was so great to my brother and I that we can never express our true gratitude. I remember that she was ALWAYS SO NICE TO ME!! I've missed them all so much over the years but they were always in my heart and memory. My letters with Aunt Lois over the last ten years often brought me to tears. She would always be having a good day and fill me in on everybody. She was the best and I know there is a special place in Heaven for her. God bless you all! Nephew, Scott Josserand

scott josserand - August 03, 2018 at 08:10 PM

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“ DAVID HANSON lit a candle in memory of Lois Elaine Hanson



DAVID HANSON - August 02, 2018 at 10:46 PM



“ Hey mom, it doesn't seem possible that we lost you almost three years ago. We miss you so much. Dad really misses you. He gets lonely, but is still too damn stubborn to move closer to one of us boys. I call him every day. Most days it is the only conversation he has, and that makes me sad. I can't tell you how much I miss you and our daily conversations. I hate that I can't ask you questions about who it is in a picture I am looking at. We had Danielle's birthday dinner yesterday. I was tickling Tyson's back and I told him you were the best tickler in the world and that you tickled me every night for most of my childhood. Oh how I wish I could have just one more. We are in the middle of a pandemic and so none of us have been able to travel for the last year, which means dad has been alone for the last year. He got his vaccine last week and I get my second one next week. We will go see him this summer even if we have to drive. He has been staying healthy. It is amazing how healthy you can stay when you don't go anywhere! I tell dad frequently how much I loved my childhood with all of the love the two of you shared with us boys. You taught us how to love others and an amazing work ethic, and for that we will be forever grateful. You missed a huge snowstorm yesterday and today. Dad has about 20 inches of snow. We made sure he got to the post office and the grocery store before it hit. I know how much you loved watching it snow. I get to hear your voice whenever I want to as I saved all of your voicemails. I can't tell you how much I love being able to do that. I will share them with dad when we see him

I love and miss you more than you could imagine. Take care and we will talk again soon.

Love you

David Hanson - March 15 at 01:23 AM

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Mom,

No one could have ever asked for a better mother than you were. You were always there for us when we needed you, even when you weren't feeling well. The memories of our time together will live on in our hearts and minds for a lifetime. I am going to miss you so much. I will miss our daily phone calls, even when you don't remember me calling. I am going to miss you constantly worrying about all of us, even when you didn't need to. I miss the hours we spent watching movies and playing cards together when I was younger. I miss the back tickles when I was a little boy. I will miss the unconditional love you had for us kids and all of our friends. All of my friends loved you so much, and for many, you were the mom they never had. It will be so hard calling and not having you answer the phone. I don't know how many times I asked if I had woken you, and you always said no when I know that I had. As I sit and look at your beautiful picture and I miss you that much more, but I know you are in such a better place right now, and you are no longer in pain, for that I am grateful. God has another wonderful angel to watch over all of us. Thank you for sending the butterfly yesterday when I was out power washing for dad, it came at just the right time as I was missing you. Please never forget how much I love you mom, and I always will!

I would like to thank all of mom's doctors and caregivers for the many years of loving care. The hospice workers we so wonderful to both mom and dad. You will never know how much all of us appreciate your loving care.

I want to thank all of mom and dad's friends and church family for their love and support. It meant so much to my brothers and I especially when we couldn't be here with them.

Thank you to the wonderful people at Goes Funeral Care, you have been sensitive and wonderful to work with.

Most of all, I want to thank my father for the many years of caring for mom. You were her rock. Even when you were tired and worn out, you were right there to get whatever it was she needed. We love and respect you so much for that. Know that we are always here for you, day or night. We love you dad!

We will love you forever, and we can't wait to see you again!  
Dave, Lori, Brandon, Mitch, Danielle and Christian

DAVID HANSON - August 02, 2018 at 10:44 PM

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“ This is such a lovely picture of Lois, just as I remember her before her illness took over. We met Merle and Lois when they first came to St. John's. They leaped right in and helped decorate the church for Christmas. What a great couple. Lois bore her illness with such grace. Our Lord will be happy to greet her... Ed and Pat Prill

Patricia Prill - July 30, 2018 at 10:07 PM

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“ Mary and I are eternally grateful to have known and loved Lois. We are certainly going to miss her sly smile and kidding attitude. We were blessed to have many years of fellowship with her and Merle and the kids at times. Mary has stated that Lois was her first and best friend after we relocated back to Colorado, and she misses her so much. We are looking forward to that great day of reunion. We love the family and our heart breaks for their loss as well as ours. Please accept our heartfelt sympathy. Mary and Paul Spitzer.

Paul Harold Spitzer - July 30, 2018 at 11:31 AM

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“ Debbie lit a candle in memory of Lois Elaine Hanson



debbie - July 29, 2018 at 06:18 PM

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“ Aunt Lois,  
I'm so thankful for all the wonderful memories we have!! I loved our talks and the last one we had was the best. I will sit on my patio and watch the hummingbirds and feel your peace.  
I love you ,  
Deb

debbie thomas - July 29, 2018 at 02:29 PM

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“ Lois, you were not just a Mother-In-Law to me, you were a mother to me when I needed it the most. I will miss that sparkle in your eyes and your teasing. Thank you for ALWAYS loving your family and making us all feel so welcome in your home. I am thankful you are no longer in pain and at peace now.

...dena

**Dena** - July 28, 2018 at 11:52 AM



“ Aunt Lois,  
I am so thankful for all the wonderful memories that we have made, we have so many. I always enjoyed our special talks, especially our last one ...  
I will enjoy sitting on the patio watching the hummingbirds knowing you're at peace.  
Love you!!

**debbie** - July 29, 2018 at 06:28 PM



“ Hey mom, I can't believe it has been two years since you went to your permanent home. I miss you so much. There are so many times I just want to call and ask you something or tell you something, and I can't. Whenever I need to be close to you, I play one of your crazy voicemail messages you left me. A couple of times you fell asleep while leaving them. Know that you are loved and missed. I think I am going to retire at the end of this year, it is time after 36 years in education. You wouldn't believe what is going on right now. We are in the middle of a pandemic. It has been horrible. I am glad you didn't have to experience it. I love you more than anything and I can't wait to see you again some day.  
Love, Dave...your favorite son!

**David Hanson** - September 24, 2020 at 05:41 AM