



Lois Jean Carlson

March 17, 1937 - January 25, 2018

Lois Jean (Panich-Cross-Carlson) passed away on January 25, 2018 surrounded by family in Butte, Montana. She was born in Butte Montana on March 17, 1937 to Mary (Sodja) and John Panich.

In her early years, she spent many hours at the Columbia Gardens, playing with her brother Johnny, and friends Janet and Joanne. She attended local Catholic elementary schools and graduated from Butte High School.

Lois married Elmer Cross in 1955. She and Elmer traveled for several years until they settled in Butte to raise their family of six children. After Elmer's passing, Lois married Robert Carlson and was blessed with another daughter. She can be remembered cooking homemade pasties, doing crafts, playing card games or bingo, and singing along to Elvis Presley.

Her caring nature was demonstrated in the way that she took care of her mother and aunt and by her dedication to raising her children, grandchildren, and numerous daycare kids. Raising children was her greatest joy.

She was a loving woman who everyone relied on for advice, a smile, a 3-hour conversation, or a warm meal.

Lois was preceded in death by her parents, husband Elmer Cross, daughter Tammy Worley, and brother John Panich. Lois is survived by her children: Elmer Jr. (Robin) Cross, Mary Ann Cross, Peggy (James) Owers, Darrel (Cassandra) Cross, Melodi (Dennis) Klemp, and Patricia (Eric) Nyberg. She is also survived by her grandchildren Michael, Katrissa, Chelcy, Sierrah, Eric, Dustin, Bailey, Dillon, Colby, Courtney, Gracie, Brittney, Bryce, Kevin, and

Cody; numerous great grandchildren, extended family and countless friends, and the many children who were not her own but she loved as though they were.

A reception will immediately follow service in Wayrynen-Richards Community Center.

Donations in memory of Lois may be made to Our Lady of the Rockies (3100 Harrison Avenue Butte, MT 59701) or the Spirit of Columbia Gardens Carousel (3100 Harrison Avenue Butte, MT 59701).

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Cemetery

4700 Harrison Avenue
Butte, MT 59701

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 1. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home
1800 Florence Ave
Butte, MT 59701
(406) 723-3221
<https://wayrynen-richards.com/>

Service

FEB 2. 11:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Not sure if you got my message from a couple days ago. Just wanted to say so appreciated our friendship. It had been years since we spoke but was so thankful when I called the only phone number I ever had for her and she answered. We had a wonderful visit . She will always have a special place in my heart. My love to her family.

Dorothy Quesenberry

Dorothy Q - February 02, 2018 at 12:18 PM

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“ Pat, Ted, Teddy, Suzette Moore purchased the Pr etty Please for the family of Lois Jean Carlson.



Pat, Ted, Teddy, Suzette Moore - January 30, 2018 at 04:59 PM



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Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home - January 30, 2018 at 10:20 AM

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She was beautiful then and also till the day Lois passed. I met Lois when her daughter, Tami and I became best friends when we both got hired at the new Pizza Hut in Butte. Lois was my second Mom. Tami's family was my family too. I will always miss them both. Love to all Family and Friends, Jean Rotolo

Jean Rotolo - March 01, 2018 at 11:06 AM

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“ *Grayson Gleason purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Lois Jean Carlson.*



Grayson Gleason - January 30, 2018 at 12:51 AM