



Doris "Irene" Howe

July 20, 1930 - June 9, 2008

Doris "Irene" Howe, 77, passed away peacefully, Monday, June 9, 2008 at Midland Hospice House. She was born July 20, 1930 in Centropolis, Kansas the daughter of John and Birdie Geiss. Irene married Donald R. Howe in Topeka November 26, 1950. He survives. Irene and her husband owned and operated Kozy Ceramics for twelve years during the 1980's. She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene where she taught Sunday school. She volunteered at Topeka Performing Arts Center, and was a member of the Garden Club of Topeka. Survivors include her husband Don Howe, Topeka; daughters, Deborah A. Hall and husband Warren, Topeka, Cynthia S. Chantrel and husband Ross, K.C. MO; grandchildren, James Hall, Shawn Hall, Leigh Chantrel; two great grandsons; brother, Leland Geiss, brother, Art Geiss, sister, Ione Marconette, and brother, Ed Geiss. Visitation will be held Wednesday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home. A celebration of Irene's life will be 1:00 p.m. Thursday at First Church of the Nazarene. Burial will follow at Penwell Gabel Memorial Park Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to First Church of the Nazarene, 1001 SW Buchanan, Topeka, KS 66604 and or Midland Hospice Care.

Tribute Wall



“ *Doris "Irene" Howe*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Cindy to you and your family I send my love and sympathy. I remember your mom as a full of life person who loved her husband and children. Although it has been a long time since I have seen them I will remember her with a sweet love and peace. I know your hearts are broken but those memories of her will help you thru the days to come Sincerely Sheron*

sheron mccampbell - June 11, 2008 at 11:12 AM



“ *To Irene's family:
Irene was a member of our graduating class at OHS in 1949. We had an informal reunion in 2006 in Ottawa and that was the last time I saw her. I am glad to have a group picture taken at that time and will remember her fondly. With sincere sympathy, Ginny Garrett Bristow*

Virginia Garrett Bristow - June 11, 2008 at 11:10 AM

JH

“ Don, Debbie & Cindy- I am so sorry hear of your wife/Mother's passing. I remember Irene as a kind, caring woman who always had a smile & ask, "how's your family?" She cared for her own family very much, as she talked about each one of you. We will all miss Irene & will remember you & your family in our prayers.

Julie(Banister)Hoppas

Julie (Banister) Hoppas - June 10, 2008 at 09:50 PM

JP

“ Dear Don and family:

I wanted you to know I was thinking of you. Words can say very little at a time like this, but knowing people care, maybe helps. I hope so. Sorry to read of Irene's death. Please accept my deepest sympathy. So glad I got to know you both, when you both volunteered at TPAC. What a sweet dear lady and so caring. She always had a smile.

I know you all have wonderful memories of Irene, as do her friends.

Sincerely,

Jackie Campbell Petrsen

Jackie Campbell Petersen - June 10, 2008 at 07:51 PM

MD

“ Don--

Our deepest sympathy to you and your family on the passing of Mrs. Howe. We know you and she had a wonderful life together, and you are to be commended for your loving care of her during the last several years. You all will continue to be in our thoughts.

Mike & Joyce Dendurent, Wamego (TJW friends)

Mike & Joyce Dendurent - June 10, 2008 at 01:49 PM

KM

“ Don, I am so very sorry for your great loss. I want to extend my deepest sympathy to you and your children. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely, Bea and Bill McElroy

Katheryn "Bea" McElroy - June 10, 2008 at 01:39 PM

SW

“ Don...please accept my sympathies in the passing of your wife, Irene. I'm glad you shared with me on Friday evening. Will keep you in my thoughts and stand ready to give you a hand any time you give me a call.

Sincerely,

*Steve Waugh
Topeka Jazz Workshop*

Steve Waugh - June 10, 2008 at 11:03 AM

JC

“ *Debbie, Cindy and Family,*

I am so sorry to hear about your mother's passing. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Peace be with you and all of your family.

Jeanie J. Clerico - June 10, 2008 at 10:50 AM

MG

“ *Don, I am sending my personal condolences on your loss of Doris and also those of the entire TJW Inc. Board of Directors. We are all sorry for this sad time in your life. Look forward to seeing you in August and all year at the concerts.*

-Marcene

Marcene Grimes - June 10, 2008 at 10:49 AM