



## Donna Settle

December 8, 1932 - June 30, 2020

Cedar Falls- Donna Marie (Widen) Settle, 87, died Tuesday, June 30th, 2020 at Western Home Communities - Martin Health Center in Cedar Falls.

She was born on December 8, 1932 in Corwith, Iowa, the daughter of Ernest and Elizabeth (Halligan) Widen. She married Howard Settle on May 24, 1952 in Corwith. They lived in Carroll until 1971 upon which time they moved to Cedar Falls.

Donna met Howard while attending American Institute of Business in Des Moines.

Over the years, Donna worked in the office of St. Patrick's Rectory, as a typesetter at Type House of Iowa, a typesetter at Art B. Davis Company, and as an office worker for the Girls Scouts of America.

Some of Donna's favorite past times included being with family and friends, playing cards and games, sewing, crafting, volunteering (St. Joseph and Holy Spirit churches in Carroll, Meals on Wheels, St Patrick Church in Cedar Falls), singing in the church choir, baking cookies, gardening and canning (tomatoes, horseradish, green tomato relish), and traveling to visit family, relatives and friends.

She is survived by nine children: Pamela (Leon) Schrad of Melbourne, IA,

Debra (Marty) Kerkhoff of Manning, IA, Diane (Rich) Calligan of Sycamore, IL, Michael Settle of Cedar Falls, Janet (Dan) Ekstrom of Cedar Falls, Joleen (Jeff) Moe of Mooresville, NC, Carol (Greg) Matthias of Maple Grove, MN, Thomas (Stephanie) Settle of Urbandale and Jennifer Settle of West Chester, PA; also by 17 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Donna was preceded in death by her husband, Howard, her parents, three sisters, and eight brothers.

# Tribute Wall

LH

“ Donna and Howard were wonderful neighbors to us on Tremont Street. She was such a classy lady always ready with a warm and welcoming smile. Our sympathies to all of the family at this sad time.

*Dave and Linda Harris*

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**Linda Harris** - July 08, 2020 at 03:10 PM

DG

“ Where do I start Donna and Howard played a huge part of my Life, Aunt Donna was always there good and sad times. Went home with them when they lived in Carroll and Howard was the reason I became a accountant, he also took me fishing to Minnesota with Grandpa. If there was ever a second Mother it would be You Aunt Donna. Kids you are all special Your Mother and Dad are very proud of you all as I am. Love you all and send my prayers to each one of you. Hope to see you around sometime.

*Love Dave and Lorrie*

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**David Grandgenett** - July 06, 2020 at 03:16 PM

DW

“ Doug Widen lit a candle in memory of Donna Settle



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**Doug Widen** - July 06, 2020 at 02:57 PM

DW

“ I could always expect mail on my birthday from Aunt Donna and Uncle Howard. Will always cherish the visits from Corwith Iowa to the larger Cedar Falls Iowa and enjoyed seeing all my cousins. Seems so minor know but will be sadly missed. I always love her home made mashed potatoes. RIP go now Donna I love you. My wife LuAnn and my children always cherished her company

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**Doug Widen** - July 06, 2020 at 02:49 PM

RD

“ I am one of the Communion ministers from St. Patrick's and went to the Martin Center one Sunday a month to lead a Communion prayer service and then visit the rooms of the Catholics who were not able to come to the prayer service. The first few years Donna was able to come to the prayer service but the last few years she was not able to. I made sure I stopped to say a prayer, give her a bulletin and give her Holy Communion. She was always very appreciative and happy to see me. I very much enjoyed my visits to her. She was always very positive and friendly and very faith filled.. thoughts and prayers to Donna's family.  
Rita Durchenwald

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**Rita Durchenwald** - July 05, 2020 at 06:18 PM

KJ

“ Donna was a good friend and co-worker. She never forgot you birthday and would always send a card. She will be greatly missed.  
Kristy Jirak

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**kristy Jirak** - July 05, 2020 at 05:48 PM

BL

“ Sympathy from Dave and Bette Lewis. It was rather ironic. On Tuesday I was driving down Main Street to go to Mass at 11:00 at St. Patrick. Right in front of me was a car with a license plate "Settle 8". The car turned east toward the Martin Center and I knew something was changing with Donna as that had to be one of her children. We had may years in choir with Donna and extend our condolences to all the family.

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**Bette Lewis** - July 04, 2020 at 10:00 PM

GB

“ Growing up in Carroll across the street from the Settle Family was one of the best experiences in my life. Partially due to the fact that Donna & Howard always welcomed me as part of the family, as I practically lived there. Thank you for that plus the fact that you have raised some wonderful children that I was blessed with to call some of my best friends and even more blessed that I caught up with them a few years back after we all loss track of each other. We are blessed with all the memories within our hearts. Gail Buswell

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**Gail Buswell** - July 03, 2020 at 12:07 PM

GB

“ Gail, Lois, Gordon & David Buswell purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Donna Settle.



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**Gail, Lois, Gordon & David Buswell** - July 03, 2020 at 09:14 AM

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“ Donna was such a neat lady! She welcomed us to the neighborhood when we moved in and we enjoyed knowing her. Donna is joining Howard and they will be at Peace when they know the Settle family is at Peace.

*Tom & Cathy Hagarty*

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**Tom Hagarty** - July 02, 2020 at 08:07 PM