



Lois West

May 10, 1937 - September 30, 2006

Lois Elaine West was born to Louis and Ruth (Corwin) Grassley at the Grassley farm near New Hartford, Iowa, on May 10, 1937. She graduated from New Hartford High School in 1954. She earned both Bachelor and Master degrees from the University of Northern Iowa.

Lois married Don West on August 16, 1955 in Cedar Falls, IA.

Upon graduating from UNI, she started teaching at Hudson High School. She was in her 49th year of teaching business and computers when she left the classroom for the last time on September 27, 2006. After seeing a doctor, she was taken for emergency surgery and passed away during the operation at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN, on September 30.

She loved learning because it is an ongoing process. She was an active member of the Hudson Education Association as well as a member of multiple committees serving Hudson School District. Lois belonged to and/or served on the following organizations: Delta Kappa Gamma, National Honor Society, Scholarship, Education Association Negotiations, and Building Level Team for the high school. And, as we all know, being yearbook advisor was her great passion.

Lois touched a multitude of lives in 48 plus years as evidenced by teaching three generations of many families.

Hobbies included reading, working crossword puzzles, playing bridge, and attending many UNI athletic events.

Lois is survived by her husband Don, sister, Bunny Wiegmann, brother Chuck

(Barbara) Grassley, sister-in-law Margaret "Peg" Grassley, brothers-in-law Bill (Carol) West, Larry (Marilyn) West, Laurence (Merna) Johnson, sisters-in-law Barbara (Ronald) Schoneman and June (Bob) Hansen. Lois was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Bud and Gene, and sister-in-law Norma Jean Johnson.

Tribute Wall



“ DEAR DON AND FAMILY
WAS SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT LOIS.PLEASE ACCEPT OUR
CONDOLANCES. WE KNOW SHE IS AT A
BETTER PLACE.

October 04, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ we send our condolences. our prayers are with you right now. we
never really met her but im sure she was a wonderful woman. peace
be with you and god bless.....rick loomis kathy benson renae loomis

October 04, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Don and Lois' Family, Pleas accept my con- dolances in your
great loss of a wonderful wife, sister, friend, and educator. My first
six years were spent teaching with Lois, and she was a great
mentor to me. One of our former students contacted me of her
untimely death, and I feel your pain! May the good Lord comfort you
every day of your life, and may it bring peace into your hearts to
know, she is asleep in the arms of Jesus.

October 03, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Don and family,

We were shocked to hear of Lois passing. She had a great influence in Hudson community.

We remember Mrs. West being our teacher in 1958. She did her best to teach us bookkeeping. We still use her skills today.

We will remember the HHS 60 reunion in 2005. She looked so good and enjoyed each other's reacquaints. May God help you in the future days. He is all we have to stand on in these difficult times.

Dean and Laureen Schmitt

October 03, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Don and family,

I have had the great pleasure of working with Lois here in Hudson for the last 15 years. She is a legend among the staff. She was one of the warmest people I know and definitely had the best work ethic! None of us could imagine working for 48+ years and only missing a part of one day. She will not be forgotten and will be greatly missed. Hopefully it will comfort you a little to know how much she was loved.

October 03, 2006 at 12:00 AM