



## Mona Koester

March 2, 1942 - December 6, 2013

DAR FALLS-Ramona Mae "Mona" Koester, 71, of Cedar Falls, died Friday, December 6, 2013 at the Cedar Valley Hospice Home in Waterloo from complications of Mesothelioma.

She was born March 2, 1942, in Waverly, Iowa, the daughter of Martin C. and Lois C. Heiser Poppe. She married James Sievers August 6, 1961, in Frederika, IA. They later divorced. She then married Steve Koester February 22, 1983.

Mona graduated from Plainfield High School and was employed at Chamberlain Manufacturing in Waterloo for 28 years. She later was employed at Engineered Products Corp. for 10 years, retiring in 2007.

Survived by: her husband of Cedar Falls; two daughters, Tami (Donny) Jones of Cedar Falls and Debra (Doug) Peterson of Minneapolis; step son, Christopher (Janice) Koester of Waterloo and step daughter, Stephanie Koester of Iowa City; seven grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and three brothers, Norman (Barbara) Poppe and Larry (Janet) Pooppe, both of Plainfield and Richard (Carol) Poppe of Waterloo.

Preceded by: her parents and grandson, Dustin Wayne.

Memorial visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, December 9, 2013 at the Richardson Funeral Service in Cedar Falls. Inurnment will be at the Columbarium at Arlington National Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be directed to Cedar Valley Hospice. Online condolences may be left at [www.richardsonfuneralservice.com](http://www.richardsonfuneralservice.com)



# Tribute Wall

AD

“ Steve, You and Mona raised some wonderful lab puppies and I was one of the lucky ones to find you. Mona was so kind to her own dog and to the puppies. She was a loving and lovely lady whom I was fortunate to meet. Anita

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**Anita Dowell** - February 06, 2014 at 03:52 PM

AB

“ Steve & Family,  
Our sincere sympathy and prayers go out to you and your family. Mona has always been a beautiful lady inside and out and God must have needed a Beautiful Angle.  
Al and Linda Blocker

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**Al and Lin Blocker** - February 06, 2014 at 03:52 PM

JJ

“ STEVE & FAMILY - MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO YOU. I'M SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS.

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**JOY (WYATT) JOHNSON** - February 06, 2014 at 03:52 PM

CA

“ Steve, So Sorry to hear of Your Loss! CA

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**Charles Aldridge** - February 06, 2014 at 03:52 PM

KA

“ I am so sorry to hear of Ramona's passing. I visited with her a few years ago at the vet's office in Plainfield. Ramona always had a smile for everyone, and was a very pleasant person. She will be missed. Karen & Vern Anhalt

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**Karen Cagley Anhalt** - February 06, 2014 at 03:52 PM

KV

“ All the wonderful stories you shared over the years about your mom will never be forgotten. I felt, somehow, like I knew her. Thanks for letting me be a part of your life with your mom. Take extra special care of yourself dear, sweet friend and know that I am saying many prayers for you and your family. So sorry I can't be there today. Headed for IA City with Nick and back sometime tomorrow. Love you-Kathy

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**Kathy VanArkel** - February 06, 2014 at 03:51 PM

JZ

“ You're in our prayers Steve.

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**John and Janet Zeien** - February 06, 2014 at 03:51 PM

MC

“ I'm sorry to hear about Mona passing. Working with Mona was fun @ Chamlian She will be missed, I loved knowing her. God will bless you All. Maybe

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**Maybe Caston** - February 06, 2014 at 03:51 PM

RR

“ To Steve and all of Mona's family. We are so sorry for your loss. We had a lot of fun when they would come to Waukon to Ward's cabin to fish and hunt and even canoe a few times. Mona was a special lady, rest in peace Mona.

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**Rick & Cindy Reinhardt** - February 06, 2014 at 03:51 PM

BZ

“ We have so many memories of Mona from years ago when Tami and Debbie were little girls watching the Wizard of Oz in Cedar Rapids, fishing in MN so many times. New Years Eve at our house when the kids did a skit and I can not remember the song. Also, ice skating on our swamp.

Camping with Mona and Steve in the Decorah hills a number of times.

What a mushroom hunter she was. I hope she let someone know where the secret spots are.

One of the things I remember Mona saying as she bought some expensive perfume "If you can't look good, you can always smell good". Of course we all know she was a beautiful lady inside and out. We will always miss her.

Posted by: *Bill & Ruth Zekoff - Prior Lake, MN - Long time friends of Mona*

*Dec 08, 2013*

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**Bill & Ruth Zekoff** - February 06, 2014 at 03:50 PM

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“ STEVE AND FAMILY I VERY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. MONA COULD ALWAYS PUT A SMILE ON MY FACE. MY GRANDMOTHER(DARLENE WYATT) ALWAYS SAID MONA WAS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL WOMEN SHE'D EVER KNOWN. SHE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY ALL. TAKE CARE AND GOD BLESS.

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**AARON ROSS (JOHNSON)** - February 06, 2014 at 03:50 PM

JC

“ I am so sorry for your loss Tammy and Debbie and all of your family. I always remember your mom with a big smile on her face and laughing. Lots of fun hanging out at your house while our parents played cards.

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**Janell Zwanziger Crow** - February 06, 2014 at 03:49 PM

GF

“ Steve and Elizabeth, Our thoughts are with you and your family. Although we have not known you that long in years, I feel like Mona and I had been friends for a life time. I will truly miss our talks on the phone and at the reunions. She was a wonderful lady.

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**George & Sandy Feamster** - February 06, 2014 at 03:49 PM

DV

“ steve and family sorry for your loss mona was funny and great person, dale could tell stories of the good chamberlian days she will be missed

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**dale brenda vestal** - February 06, 2014 at 03:49 PM

JC

“ My deepest sympathy to Steve and all of Mona's family. I'll always remember her warm spirit.

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**Joe Caldwell** - February 06, 2014 at 03:48 PM