



Viola Anne Venter

July 28, 1924 - April 10, 2016

CEDAR FALLS-Viola Anne "Vi" Venter, 91, of Cedar Falls, died Sunday, April 10, 2016 at the Cedar Valley Hospice Home in Waterloo.

She was born July 28, 1924, in Watkins, Iowa, the daughter of Fred and Elizabeth Christen Bombach. She married Eugene O. Venter January 15, 1949, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Waterloo. He died October 5, 1990.

She graduated from Gates Business School and employed as a bookkeeper. She belonged to the St. Paul Quilters, loved doing Tai Chi and volunteered at the Cedar Falls Public Library Book Nook

Survived by: two daughters, Susan (Bud) Hansen of Cedar Falls and Lori (Lance) Powell of Grand Junction, CO; two sons, Daniel (Fran) Venter of Johnston and Ned (Robin) Venter of Cedar Falls; nine grandchildren, Jenny Hansen Das, Lia Hansen Cohen, Andrew Hansen, Carl, Paul, Alex, Jacque and Tom Venter, and Seth Powell; seven great grandchildren, Lydia and Ike Venter, Jivan Cohen, Gabby and Serena Das, Oliver Venter, and Evelyn Nichols; one brother, Otto Bombach; and sister, Elsie Christensen.

Preceded by: son Jeffrey Venter and granddaughter, Betsy Hansen.

Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m. Friday, April 15, 2016 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Cedar Falls. Memorial contributions may be directed to: St. Paul Lutheran Church Quilters or Lutheran World Relief (Women's Assistance). Online condolences may be left at: www.richardsonfuneralservice.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **15**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church
2812 Willow Lane
Cedar Falls, IA 50613

Tribute Wall

PG

“ No heart breaks alone for God is always near. When a prayer is whispered God is always there to hear. When sorrow's overwhelming, He comforts tenderly. A single tear never falls that he does not hear. (Psalms 65:2) Sorry for your loss.

Peggy Gienau - April 16, 2016 at 10:07 AM

CM

“ I was always amazed by Vi she always had something going on trips to elder hostels,, and just her never ending energy! I know she loved her family and spent a lot of her time with them. She will be missed but her inspiration will never end! Prayers to the family
Cathy McRoberts

Cathy Mcroberts - April 15, 2016 at 09:17 AM

JW

“ Vivacious: Happy and lively in a way that is attractive.

If ever a person lived up to a word, it was Vi.

Dan, Sue, Lori and Ned, et al. I'm so sorry for your loss.

Jerry Weatherman

jerry weatherman - April 14, 2016 at 08:22 PM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Viola Anne Venter.*



April 14, 2016 at 01:03 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Viola Anne Venter.*



April 14, 2016 at 09:50 AM



“ *I did tai chi with Vi and her daughter at Sartori . I will always remember our instructor calling her Wi. I often think of her that way. I also think of her doing tai chi at Gateway Park with her group. She was a lovely lady and will be missed.*

Priscilla Dean

Priscilla Dean - April 14, 2016 at 09:09 AM



“ *We have wonderful memories of Vi when we were backyard neighbors around the corner on Lilac Lane. We'd compare yard issues and trade plants. She was full of adventure & we enjoyed hearing about her travels. She will be missed by many and our sympathy to the Venter family. Dan & Chris Lorenz*

Dan & Chris Lorenz - April 13, 2016 at 05:06 PM

LF

“ Lori and Lance you have my deepest sympathy. Mom and will remember you and your family in your time of loss.

Lynda Figi

Lynda Figi - April 13, 2016 at 03:34 PM

BB

“ Sue, I was sorry to read of your mother's death. I hope you remember me from many years ago at St. Paul's. I especially enjoyed Jenny in Sunday School. Peace to you and all your family. Bev Bodine (Jon and Renae Olson).

Bev Bodine - April 13, 2016 at 09:25 AM

TA

“ My Aunt Vi was a truly amazing woman! I have been impressed with her zest for life and great attitude no matter what came her way, for as long as I can remember. She will be greatly missed by me, by every other member of her family, and I am sure by many, many other people.

Tammy - April 12, 2016 at 07:25 PM

LB

“ Goodbye Aunt Vi. I love you and will miss you. I'm so glad we got reacquainted at the family reunion.

Larry Bombach - April 12, 2016 at 02:45 PM

PB

“ I have such fond memories of doing Tai Chi in the park with Vi. When it was cool she'd show up with her winter coat and gloves; she was such a trooper and neither wind, rain or cold kept her from showing up. Vi was the 'favorite' in Lily's Tai Chi classes and I will miss her smile and sunny disposition.
Pat Bogenski

Pat Bogenski - April 12, 2016 at 10:17 AM

PG

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Venter family.
Pam Gonzales

Pamela Gonzales - April 12, 2016 at 07:04 AM

KF

“ I only met Miss Vi a few short weeks ago when she came to us at the Hospice Home. We instantly "clicked." I think it was because we have the same lively attitude. I had such a WONDERFUL time getting to know Vi, and her family. She will be dearly missed by the entire Hospice Home family. Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Kaitlyn Faye - April 11, 2016 at 08:03 PM

NP

“ We met Vi early in our journey as we made plans to move to the Village. We enjoyed her then and as she scurried along our halls when we finally moved in. We will miss her lovely smile as we would meet in the trash room or mail room. You all have our sympathy and prayers. *Delbert and Nina Pudil, Unit 210*

Nina Pudil - April 11, 2016 at 07:09 PM

AN

“ Our condolences to Vi's family at this time. She was such a nice lady and she will be missed. Chip, Ann, Brendan and Madison Wood



ann - April 11, 2016 at 07:01 PM

CT

“ Vi was a wonderful lady and loved doing everything she could possibly do. She was a great little 500 player and came down stairs with her extra cushions to sit on. She enjoyed our movie nights and loved living here in general and the feelings were returned, as we enjoyed her too!

Cora Thompson-French - April 11, 2016 at 06:54 PM

TH

“ So sorry to hear about Vi's passing. It seemed like yesterday when I mowed her yard on McClain. Ned and Robin, may God be with you as you heal from your loss. Sincerely, Tim and Fely.

Tim Houts - April 11, 2016 at 06:26 PM

MC

“ The Village Co-op of Cedar Falls will miss our member Vi Venter who's service will be on Friday. Our prayers go to her family. You truly had a wonderful Mother whom we all fell in love with. She had an energy none of us could believe.

*Prayers to you all,
Bob and Martha Canney*

Martha Canney - April 11, 2016 at 06:03 PM