



## Carol J. Hoekstra

July 24, 1939 - February 21, 2024

Carol J. Hoekstra, age 84, of St. Anne passed away Wednesday, February 21, 2024 at her home. She was born July 24, 1939 in Watseka, the daughter of Laurence & Agnes (Lauterbach) Hofer. Carol married Ronald Hoekstra on December 7, 1955 at the First Reformed Church in Wichert.

Carol was a homemaker/farmer's wife. She loved cooking, baking, and loved holidays and family gatherings when everyone was together. Her life was her family. She created special bonds with everyone she knew and loved. Carol was always available for advice and opinions on decisions, and she was always right. She was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

Carol was a 50 plus year member of the First Reformed Church of Wichert. Surviving are her husband of 68 years of marriage, Ronald Hoekstra of St. Anne; four daughters, Debra (Kim) Collings of Bee Branch, AR, Rhonda (Cary) Turner of Mackinaw, IL, Karen (Ed) Wielgus of St. Anne, and Paula (Mike) Baranowski of St. Anne; one sister, Paulette (William) Hartley of Eddyville, IL; one brother, Pastor Paul (Lois) Hofer of Aurora, CO; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and many special nieces and nephews. Carol is preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Arlene Dams.

Visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the 11:30 a.m. funeral service on Saturday, February 24, 2024 at First Reformed Church of Wichert. Rev. Randy Knoll will officiate the service. Interment will follow at St. Anne Township Cemetery in St. Anne.

Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home in St. Anne.  
Memorials may be made to Uplifted Care or First Reformed Church of  
Wichert.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Anne Township Cemetery

South Route 1  
St. Anne, IL 60964  
(815) 427-8346

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **24.** 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

First Reformed Church of Wichert  
St. Anne, IL

## Funeral Service

FEB **24.** 11:30 AM (CT)

First Reformed Church of Wichert  
St. Anne, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Deepest heartfelt sympathy ...such a warm & fun loving spirit...appreciate your kindness.....sending lots of hugs & comfort...where lives pass, memories carry on forever!! Prayers for ALL Coach*

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**John Heil** - February 28, 2024 at 03:25 PM

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“ *Mary Blum lit a candle in memory of Carol J. Hoekstra*



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**Mary Blum** - February 25, 2024 at 02:54 PM

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“ *Theresa Tello. Graf lit a candle in memory of Carol J. Hoekstra*



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**Theresa tello. Graf** - February 24, 2024 at 03:30 PM

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“ My beautiful and loving Aunt Carol. As a young boy, I will never forget the summers visiting the farm in St. Anne, witnessing the importance of family, the awesome fresh corn from the fields, dominating at the game of spoons with my cousins, driving these massive tractors around the parking lot and staying in these tiny little rooms on the second floor. Uncle Ronnie, after a long day of work, would lie on the couch with his shirt off and watch Charlie’s Angels... I am at peace now that Aunt Carol is with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, looking down on all of her family members she influenced so much. Love, Chris, Mariela, Sophia and Logan.



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**Chris Hofer** - February 22, 2024 at 02:51 PM

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“ Ronnie and family so sorry for the loss of Carol. She was a sweet lady and will be missed. Our love and prayers to you all ❤️❤️ Susan and Mike Nickles.

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**Susan Nickles** - February 22, 2024 at 02:49 PM