



## Marilee Curell

July 23, 1932 - February 15, 2010

Marilee Curell, 77, of 1318 South Linn Street in Boone, Iowa passed away at her home on Monday, February 15, 2010. She was born on July 23, 1932 in Rockford, Illinois the daughter of Wayde and Arminta (Booth) Oxenford. On August 13, 1950, she married Willis "Bill" Curell, at the First Baptist Church in Boone, Iowa. Marilee and Bill spent 53 loving years of marriage together before his passing in 2003. Marilee was a graduate of Boone High School. She was a homemaker and had a great passion for music, always willing to share her tremendous vocal talent. She also participated in the Boone Community Theatre. She was active in her church, both the First Baptist Church in Boone, serving as the Choir Director for over 40 years, and the First Baptist Church in Johnston, Iowa. Marilee served on the National Boards of Church Women United, American Baptist Women, and the Retarded Children Association and was locally involved on the Boards of the River Valley Residential Home and Genesis Development. Her parents; husband, Bill, and 2 brothers, John Oxenford and Kenneth Oxenford; and a sister Jean Dunlap preceded her in death. Survivors include a daughter, Cathy Curell of Belmond, Iowa; 2 sons, Jim Curell and wife Kim of Boone, and Ken Curell and wife Cathy of Boone; 4 grandchildren, Andy Curell of Boone, Ryan Curell of Ames, Nathan Curell of Ames and Jason Curell of Orlando, Florida; 1 brother, Roger Oxenford and wife Lou of Boone; 2 sisters, Ellen Wirth of Baton Rouge, Louisiana and Peggy Kooser of Colorado Springs, Colorado; and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial service celebrating her life will be held on Friday morning, February 19th at 11:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Boone with Revs. Jerry Bertelson and Timothy Bonney officiating. Her body has been cremated. Private interment of the cremains will be in the Linwood Park Cemetery. Friends may call at the First Baptist Church in Boone on Thursday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with the family present during that time to greet friends. Those wishing to express their sympathies through a memorial may direct their gift to either the First Baptist Church in Boone or Johnston, Iowa; the American Diabetes Association or Krysilis, Inc. in Clarion, Iowa, where her daughter, Cathy, resides.

# Comments

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“ Jim, Ken and Kathy,  
I join my two sons, Scott and Curt Underwood in love and respect to a fine Christian lady who shared a special love of our First Baptist Church in Boone. She will be missed! Thinking of you and hoping that you will find comfort in the love that surrounds you.

**Delores (Underwood) Hanke** - February 18, 2010 at 07:03 PM

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“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to Jim, Cathy, Ken and their families. I know that we haven't seen each other in decades, but I fondly remember all the great times us kids had playing together back in the late 50's & early 60's. Kids, your parents were great people and great friends to our family. We are so sorry for your loss.

Scott Underwood in Des Moines  
Curt Underwood in Newton

**Scott & Curt Underwood** - February 18, 2010 at 06:28 PM

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“ Dear Jim and Kim Curell and families,  
May your memories of Maryilee bring you comfort.  
With Deepest Smpathy!

Julie and Roger Carter  
and John and Char Munson and family

**John & Char Munson** - February 18, 2010 at 11:53 AM

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“ Dear Jim and Ken and families, We are in Arizona and won't be attending your mother's memorial service but wanted you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers. We enjoyed the years we had your parents as friends, they were great people. What a reunion in heaven for your mother to be with your father and other family members. Dave and Judy Richardson

**Dave and Judy Richardson** - February 17, 2010 at 12:33 PM

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“ Our thought's and prayer's are with you at this very sad time.

**Todd & Kris Moorman** - February 17, 2010 at 09:00 AM

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“ What can I say except she is now singing with the angels. Marilee was a beautiful lady in more ways than one and I am so glad we knew her. She was one of God's musical people and one who also got involved in His work besides music. I am sorry to hear of her passing and know she will be missed. Please know you are in our prayers and may you feel God's love with you always. Again, I Thank God I knew her and she considered me one of her friends. Her and Bill were both very special people.

**Gary & Karen McCool** - February 17, 2010 at 12:47 AM