



## Lois J. Hughes

March 21, 1934 - August 25, 2021

It is with sadness that I write to tell you that Mom, Lois Hughes, has passed away this morning August 25, 2021. She has been released from her earthly body and the suffering she was dealing with as a result of Parkinson's Disease and Lewey Body Dementia. Mom was born March 21, 1934 to Velda and Earl Hughes on a farm in Cogan Township, Lycoming County, PA. She was the 7th of 8 children. Soon after graduating high school she ran off to be married to Don Frickman, who had joined the Air Force. They began their married life stationed at Barksdale AFB, Bossier City, LA where my sister, Yvonne, and I were both born. We lived there only a few years and then dad received orders for Tachikawa AB Japan. Mom worked civil service for the Air Force beginning in Japan and continued to do so when they returned to the US eventually retiring from Kelly AFB, San Antonio where she worked in logistics managing aircraft parts and inventory.

Mom and dad had various interests and were involved in square dancing clubs, archery clubs, and bowling. Below is a picture of some of mom's archery pendants.

Mom had lots of friends and they would get together to cook, play cards, and sew. Mom had always sewed, making some of our clothes as kids and even making Yvonne's wedding dress and my bridesmaid dress. She eventually moved on to making quilts and made many pieced and appliqued quilts that we treasure and will remind us of her.

She attended church regularly and made sure us kids went to Sunday School.

She sang in the choir for many years and volunteered at the church office after her retirement.

She had a sharp wit and a quick retort. She made it a tradition on birthdays to gather for a simple meal and then pig out on homemade ice cream. We would often end up playing Mexican Train or Yahtzee around the kitchen table. She also made it a tradition that we would get together and bake various types of cookies and fudge for Christmas, we crammed into her small kitchen and baked all day long, giving away most of what we made.

After her Parkinson's diagnosis life got continually harder to deal with but Joe Burleson, who came to live with her, took care of all her needs and was her best advocate. I know that her last few years would have been unbearable for her without him.

She is survived by her daughters, Yvonne and Donna, and their spouses Terry and Bryan, grandchildren, Aaraon, Bonnie, Colin and Shawn and 5 great grandchildren, Austin, Rebekah, Frank, Jacob Wesley (JW), and Ethan as well as her dedicated companion, Joe Burleson. May their memory of her be eternal.

She is now free from pain and suffering and will be signing praises along with the angels to our Lord and Savior.

# Tribute Wall

RJ

“ I will be holding a funeral service for Mrs. Hughes in Cogan House Township tomorrow July 29, 2022. She will be buried in Summit Cemetery by the White Pine Church. Rev. Dr. H. Russell Blanchard, Jr.

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**Rev. Dr. HR Blanchard, Jr.** - July 28, 2022 at 09:40 PM

BS

“ I did not know Lois until the last few years. I met her when we played bridge together. I really enjoyed visiting her and looking at all her quilts. She was very proud of them and she should have been. She did excellent work. My condolences to the family and Joe Burleson who took such good care of her.

*Bertie Schwartz*

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**Bertie Schwartz** - September 06, 2021 at 08:27 PM

ST

“ Our memory of Lois was that she was a kind and warm person who loved when the kids were around. Her baking, cooking and quilting skills were hard to match. We will miss her. We are glad that she is resting in Heaven now and we send our love and prayers to the family. ❤️

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**Stacie** - August 30, 2021 at 03:32 PM

BM

“ Lois and I, Barbara Maxwell, share many memories (talking, talking, talking and share lunch. She has a very special place in my heart❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️ I am wondering if there will be a service at Oxford UMC? I am lighting a candle and know she is singing with our Lord🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏



Barbara Maxwell - August 29, 2021 at 05:14 PM

CS

“ Oh how I loved that homemade ice cream. Also loved the many card games & other games. And I can't forget attending the cowboy foot ball games. Many more fond memories ❤️

Carolyn Smith - August 27, 2021 at 12:24 PM

YL

“ Yvonne Leiby lit a candle in memory of Lois J. Hughes



Yvonne Leiby - August 25, 2021 at 06:58 PM

YL

Mom loved yellow roses. I will miss her so much. Rest in peace, Momma.

Yvonne Leiby - August 25, 2021 at 07:00 PM