



## Donna Stratman

July 15, 1935 - November 6, 2019

Weslie and Donna (Tupper) Stratman of Pueblo County, parents to six children, passed away at age 84 on November 5 and 6, 2019. The two were born near Wilcox, NE in 1935; Wes on March 6 to John and Ruth Stratman, and Donna on July 15 to Clifford and Marie Tupper. Donna and Wes were high school sweethearts and married at Pleasant View Christian Church in Wilcox on June 15, 1957, shortly after Donna graduated from the University of Nebraska. The couple raised their growing family in Kearney, NE, followed by Lamar, CO, before settling in Pueblo, CO in 1973. Donna was a life-long educator and avid reader; she taught home economics in Wilcox and was the preschool director at Central Christian Preschool in Pueblo for over 20 years. Wes was a “tractor man”; he spent 12 years with the Brodine Tractor Company in Kearney, NE, 3 as a territory manager for Hesston Corporation, and operated Hiland Implement in Pueblo for 20 years. A connoisseur of antique tools and farm equipment, he also served as superintendent of the Colorado State Fair Antique Equipment Display for 24 years. In their retirement, Donna and Wes enjoyed traveling to antique farm shows and spending time with their 12 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, and 1 1916 Minneapolis-Moline steam engine. Wes and Donna are survived by their six children, Valerie Gorton, of Longmont, CO, Loreli Stratman of Aurora, CO, Steve Stratman (Laurie), of Pueblo, CO, Gary Stratman (Debbie), of Greeley, CO, Trent Stratman (Tammie), of Kearney, NE; and Teresa Osmanski (Duane) of Kearney, NE. A service will be held at 1:00pm, Saturday, November 9, 2019

at Central Christian Church. Donations can be made to Central Christian Church, where they were members since 1973, Front Range Antique Power Association, or the Avondale Vineland Lions Club. Online condolences can be made at [roselawnpueblo.org](http://roselawnpueblo.org).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV 9. 1:00 PM (MT)

Central Christian Church  
1902 Hudson  
Pueblo, CO 81001

# Tribute Wall

CW

“ Valerie, Loreli (Lollie), Steve, Gary, Trent and Teresa ~

Your parents meant a lot to my parents, Kermit and Ruby Wilke as well as to us children. We enjoyed the times they got us all together to share different activities. I thought they were really "cool" because they had gotten you that pin ball machine that we got to play when we visited you in Kearney. They were both really special people and I have been blessed to have them as part of my life.

May God bless you with fond memories now and in the days ahead; shared between all of you and your family and friends.



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**Cyndy (Wilke) Wieland** - November 18, 2019 at 02:16 AM

JD

“ Thought a lot of the Stratmans when I was teaching at Vineland Elementary. Loved the kids and family. I pray that good memories of great family times give comfort and peace to all of the family. May God hold all of the lives ones tightly in His living arms at this difficult time. Hugs and prayers to all!

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**Jackie Dierks** - November 09, 2019 at 01:49 PM

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“ Glad to have gotten to know Wes and Donna. My husband was a classmate to both of them. Great people.

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**Juanita Ulrichson** - November 08, 2019 at 07:23 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Donna Stratman.*



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November 08, 2019 at 04:35 PM



“ *Wes & Donna will be greatly missed. We had plans to visit them in December on our 24th annual trip looking for warmer places. We are thankful for all the years that we spent time together in both Nebraska and Colorado. My first full time paying job out of high school (1952) was with John Stratman (Wes's Dad) in his welding shop in Wilcox.*  
*Kermit & Ruby Wilke*

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**Kermit Wilke** - November 08, 2019 at 12:29 PM



“ *Roger & Doddie and family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Donna Stratman.*



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**Roger & Doddie and family** - November 08, 2019 at 10:58 AM

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“Wonderfully created, with the hands of our Lord. Gratefully shared by her husband Wes and her children of six. Donna was so soft spoken. That when she spoke the room around seemed to quiet so you listened. So smart, so loving and caring. Her smile and laughter will be missed- but will remain a memory forever in my heart. Her sweetness comforted me. Donna would give you anything-and everything and she did. You gave us everything you held. I thank your family for sharing you with me. Know that generations of Stratman's will know of you. For you are for ever loved. Suzie

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**Suzie** - November 07, 2019 at 09:36 PM

MA

“Sorry for your great loss and will be keeping you in my thoughts and prayers....Marge Stratman Snodgrass

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**Marge** - November 07, 2019 at 07:56 PM



“I so fondly remember who these two welcomed a young pastor trying to find his way. My heart goes out to all who mourn... “you shall be comforted”.

*Rev. Dr. Mark William Pumphrey*

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**Mark Pumphrey** - November 07, 2019 at 07:33 PM