



Imelda Walter Box

July 30, 1922 - January 14, 2015

Imelda Walter Box was born on July 30, 1922, to George and Theresa Walter in Clearwater, NE. She passed to her new life on January 14, 2015. Imelda was preceded in death by her husband, Charles M. Box with whom she shared 50 years of love and laughter. Imelda (Gigi) is survived by her daughters, Kay Stephens and Margaret Singer and husband, Robert. Also surviving are four grandchildren, Stephanie Singer and husband, Brian Worthy, Kevin and Keith Singer and James and Rachel Stephens; as well as four great-grandchildren. Imelda's sister, Sophia and brother, Martin also survive her. Imelda's gentle ways, twinkling blue eyes and loving personality will be missed by all who knew her. We thank you for sharing your life and love with us. Services will be held Thursday, January 22, 2015, 12:00 p.m., at FRENCH – Wyoming. Interment will follow at Santa Fe National Cemetery at 3:00 p.m.

FRENCH – Wyoming
7121 Wyoming Blvd. NE
(505) 823-9400

Cemetery Details

Santa Fe National Cemetery

501 N. Guadalupe St.
NM 87504

Previous Events

Services

JAN **22**. 12:00 PM (MT)

FRENCH Funerals - Cremations (Wyoming)
7121 Wyoming Blvd NE
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Tribute Wall

GE

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George - February 02, 2015 at 06:56 AM

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Noreen Reckling - January 26, 2015 at 09:29 AM

“ A grandmother's love -

Gigi was the best grandmother a grandson could ever have. I was lucky in that Gigi and Bopa (my grandfather) moved to Albuquerque when I was only seven years old. I had the privilege of growing up living a couple of blocks from their house, which meant I got to see them any time I wanted. Gigi always had a big smile, a big heart, and a piece of "Gigi cake" every time I would come by to see her.

Gigi always showed kindness to everyone she knew. She was even kind to "Myrtle," a box turtle that lived in her back yard and would crawl up on her back porch to sample slices of bread that Gigi would leave out on a paper plate. I still remember the joy I felt when Gigi would take me to the mall and buy me model airplanes at the toy store. I remember spending hours at Gigi's house putting my creations together and then going home to hang them from the ceiling of my bedroom.

In middle school and high school, I would often spend time talking to Gigi about life. She would offer her love and wisdom as I told her about all of the things that were going on, all of which seemed so very important at the time. Mostly, she was truly a great listener, and by the time we would finish our conversations I would know what to do about whatever it was that was on my mind that day. To this day I remember talking to her in her kitchen right before I went away to college. I remember the slight sadness in her eyes as she and I both knew that life had taken one of its many turns, and behind us were the carefree afternoons of just hanging out together.

Gigi did make certain I was well looked after while I was away at college. Every couple of weeks I would get a care package from her which sometimes contained rice crispy treats and sometimes homemade brownies. One of the proudest days in my life was the day I went through college commencement and my parents, grandparents, aunt, and uncle got to see me walk across that stage. I was so very happy to share such a momentous occasion with

people who meant so much to me.

Because I did not marry until later in life, I spent all of my 20's and most of my 30's as a single adult. During those years I occasionally wanted to travel, and Gigi became a wonderful traveling companion. The most memorable trip Gigi and I ever took was the year we went to Houston, Texas. We rented a Plymouth Breeze and drove around seeing the sights for a few days. The first day we toured Johnson Space Center, which was a huge deal for me at the time since I am an aviation nut. It was a good thing we toured Johnson Space Center first, it proceeded to rain non-stop for the rest of our stay in Houston. The challenge became finding indoor activities that Gigi could do. We did find them! We saw an IMAX called Mission to Mir about a mission to the Mir Space Station aboard the space shuttle. We toured the Lone Star Flight Museum in Galveston. We had to get creative for the next few days, but we still had fun.

I am grateful that Gigi got to see my beautiful wife, Rachel, and I marry that wonderful morning in July of 2009. By this time Gigi had already suffered her first stroke. Still, she flew to Denver and watched Rachel and I wed in the auditorium of Faith Baptist Church in Longmont, Colorado.

My sorrow at Gigi's passing is lessened by the knowledge that Gigi is with the Lord who created her. 1 John 4:16 states "And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him." (KJV) I saw God's love through Gigi's love.

Forever Gigi's grandson,

James Stephens

James Stephens - January 21, 2015 at 10:23 PM

DF

*What a beautiful tribute to your Grandmother.
The Funk neighbors from NE
Dale & Linda Funk*

Dale & Linda Funk - January 22, 2015 at 05:12 PM



*Thank you, James, for relating so well how much you cherished Gigi.
Your kind words gladden the hearts of those who loved her.*

Judi Magnussen - January 23, 2015 at 12:27 PM

UC

“ *UNMH Friends and Co-Workers purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Imelda Walter Box.*



UNMH Friends and Co-Workers - January 21, 2015 at 02:20 PM

AM

“ *Andrea Morris lit a candle in memory of Imelda Walter Box*



Andrea Morris - January 21, 2015 at 02:09 PM



“Gigi came into my life about 35 years ago when her 2 daughters bought the weekend cabin my husband and I built in the Jemez Mountains, on Thompson Ridge,. Many seasons of picnicking, volleyball, “42” card-playing, songs by the campfire, berry-picking, Christmas tree hunting & sightseeing in our Jeep followed. When we moved from the mountains, and subsequently Gigi and her family sold the cabin — there was no doubt we would continue our friendship as we did. Gigi’s back with her beloved Charles, now and the dear friends she’s left behind are consoled in this knowledge. We love you, precious Gigi. Thank you for bringing such loving kindness to all those whose lives you touched.



Judi Magnussen

Judi Magnussen - January 21, 2015 at 11:16 AM

BE

“A few year ago, at a family reunion, near Omaha, Nebraska, Imelda and my mom (Sophia) were sitting across from each other on a picnic table. We were all looking at pictures. Mom excitedly pointed to pictures of George Walter and announced that it was her dad. Imelda said, “ I know” “that’s my dad too”. Mom pointed again and said, “that’s my dad” and Imelda again told her, “that’s my dad too, I’m your sister”. Mom said “noooo” in disbelief. Mom has memory problems and has had for years. Imelda couldn’t have handled the situation any better. She was very funny, talented, and clever. RIP.

BLC

Bernard - January 20, 2015 at 10:05 AM

BM

“ Billy, John A and Maudette purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Yellow and White for the family of Imelda Walter Box.



Billy, John A and Maudette - January 19, 2015 at 09:31 AM

JH

“ Gigi you will be missed. I look forward to see you again some day god willing. Justin Harvey

Justin Harvey - January 19, 2015 at 09:25 AM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Imelda Walter Box.



January 18, 2015 at 08:10 PM

KC

“ I loved my Aunt Imelda. I have great memories of spending time with Uncle Charles, Aunt Imelda, Margie and Kay. She was probably the sweetest lady I have ever known. I know she is in heaven and I know Mom, Dad, Granny Ellen, Granddaddy Jim, and Uncle Charles are with her. We will see them all again. Praise God for that! Kristie Shelton Callis

Kristie Callis - January 18, 2015 at 08:00 PM

BE

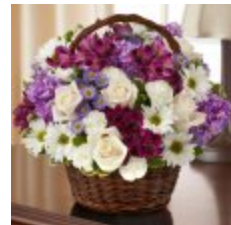
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Bernard - January 17, 2015 at 05:44 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Imelda Walter Box.



January 17, 2015 at 03:32 PM

GC

“ Going to miss our trips back home to see my mom, your sister. Love you Gigi.



George Cork - January 17, 2015 at 01:42 PM

GF

“ Dear Box Family and Friends,
I wasn't privileged with the remarkable acquaintance of Mrs. Box as you were, but it saddens me to read of your loss. Please accept my family's sincere condolences. Many are comforted in knowing that our Creator assures us in the Bible that soon death and mourning will be no more.(Revelation 4:11,21:4) May you have peace.

Greene Family - January 17, 2015 at 12:22 PM

JD

“ *On behalf of the French Family of Companies, we express our deepest condolences.*

J. Buck Dyck - January 16, 2015 at 05:22 PM