



## Isabelle M Boos

January 31, 1921 - June 16, 2021

Isabelle Marie Boos, 100, of Julian NE, passed away on June 16, 2021, while on vacation in Utah. She traveled with her son Kevin Boos and his family from Nebraska to Utah to attend a family reunion and celebration of life for her daughter-in-law Jo Ann Boos. She became ill the next day and was unable to return home to Nebraska. She was cared for by her children and other family members at her granddaughter Cora Eike's home in Bluffdale, Utah where she passed away peacefully 4 days later.

Isabelle was born in Urbank, Minnesota on January 31, 1921, to John Thomas and Rosalie (Korkowski) Wagner. Her mother passed away when Isabelle was 9 months old at which time she went to live with her grandparents. She graduated from Hartford High School and then married Joseph Leo Boos when he returned from active duty in WW2. Isabelle was a devoted wife and mother. Isabelle and Joe raised their family of 5 children beginning in Hartford, Wisconsin. They then moved to Waukesha, WI and Racine, WI before moving to Pocatello, Idaho in 1969. In 1990 Joe and Isabelle moved to Meridian ID. After Joe's passing in 2004, Isabelle remained in her Meridian home until 2015 when she moved to Julian, NE to live with her son Kevin Boos and his wife Janet and their family. Isabelle was a lifelong member of the Catholic Church most recently at St. Bernard's Parish in Julian, Nebraska. When she lived in Meridian, Idaho, she was a member of Holy Apostles Parish. She was an active member of the Idaho Council of Catholic Women, Catholic Daughters of America, and the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary as well as numerous community and charitable organizations. In Idaho, she and Joe sewed, quilted, and donated thousands of baby blankets throughout the years to Birthright for unwed mothers. In addition, she sewed countless teddy bears for hospitalized children and prepared funeral dinners for grieving families. She was also a volunteer at St. Luke's Auxiliary Legacy Hospice and many other community organizations.

Isabelle was an excellent homemaker and do-it-yourselfer. She had a strong work ethic and was a role model to her children and others. Her home and yard were always tidy and attractive. She loved interior decorating, refinishing antiques, reupholstering furniture, ceramics, and tole painting.

Isabelle was a talented seamstress for over 60 years. She owned and operated a bridal shop in her home where she designed and created custom wedding dresses, ornate head

pieces, and attire for the entire bridal party. She specialized in recreating dresses from bridal magazine photographs and was phenomenally successful in this endeavor. She was also incredibly talented as a cook and baker. For many years she was employed in the field of food service as a cook, baker, manager, recipe developer and instructor in culinary arts.

Isabelle was also a lover of nature and shared this passion with her children. She camped, skied, floated rivers, and spent many hours in her flower gardens. She actively pursued gardening until the age of 98. Her gardens were the envy of her neighbors, and she was always willing to share advice and plant starts.

In Julian, Nebraska, a village of 51 residents and her last home, she was instrumental in community fund raising. She donated funds along with others to restore a historic gas station and other buildings and structures in the village. Isabelle Park, across the street from her home, was created in her honor.

Isabelle is survived by all 5 of her children. They are Charles Boos (Jo Ann, deceased), of Nampa, ID, Michael Boos (Leslie), of Blair, NE, Mary Jo Marshall (Ted), of Salt Lake City, UT, Kevin Boos (Janet), of Julian, NE, and Nolene Weaver (Tony), of Grangeville, ID.

Isabelle is also survived by 15 Grandchildren, 18 Great Grandchildren, and 6 Great, Great Grandchildren. In addition to the death of her husband Joe on September 25, 2004, she was preceded in death by a granddaughter Joelle Boos in 1989 and her daughter-in-law Jo Ann Boos in 2020. Isabelle was a twin and her twin sister Annabelle died at birth.

Funeral services will be on Thursday July 22, 2021, at Holy Apostles Catholic Church in Meridian, Idaho. Adoration and recitation of the Rosary at 10:00 a.m. and High Mass at 11:00 a.m. Burial next to her husband Joe at the Idaho Veterans Cemetery in Boise ID will follow.

# Cemetery

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## Idaho State Veterans Cemetery

10100 N Horseshoe Bend Rd

Boise, ID, 83714

# Events

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**JUL** **Funeral Service** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Holy Apostles Catholic Church

6300 N Meridian Rd, Meridian, ID, US, 83646

# Comments

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“ I remember my wonderful visit to Aunt Isabelle and the Boos family in Meridian some years back . She wanted me to feel at home and with the help of the cousins we went everywhere, including Mass at Holy Apostles and the veterans Cemetery to visit Uncle Joe’s resting place. So I am with you all in Spirit today giving thanks for both Aunt Isabelle and Uncle Joe. My sister Donna heard the news of Aunt Isabelle's passing to new life just a few days ago and called me here in New York. When I was visiting Meridian Aunt Isabelle gave me a key chain with a small picture of the Virgin of Guadalupe that had been Uncle Joe,s and thought since he was my baptismal sponsor I might like to have it and I have been carrying my house keys on it these many years and often thinking of the two of them and the really good people they always were. My prayers are with with you all today from here at Maryknoll. Mary Ellen Kempken. (Niece). July 22, 2021

MaryEllen Kempken - July 22 at 11:59 AM

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“ Aunt Isabelle and Uncle Joe took me in for awhile after my Mom died despite having a full house. I don't remember those days, but do remember how much fun I had on all the visits with them and my cousins down in Racine. I can still picture Aunt Isabelle's sewing room and being amazed at the beautiful creations she made. I think she was nearly 90 the last time I saw her out at Aunt Rosemary's and she was still as smiling and sassy as ever. She could still light up a room with that smile, one I will always remember. I have pictures of the last time her and Uncle Joe were by Uncle Bob with Holy Hill in the background and I treasure those memories. God bless to all my cousins - Charles, Mike, Kevin, Mary Jo and Nolene. Sorry this is so late after the fact, but I just heard out it. Love the pictures you have posted, they are very special.

Donna (Kempken) Wolf

Donna Wolf (Isabelle's niece) - July 20 at 10:43 AM

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“ I'll never forget the feeling I would get as a kid (or even as an adult) when I knew I was going to Grandma's house. I could expect a hug, a baked treat and a game of Zonk, Yahtzee or Boggle. Her house was a place to unplug and free yourself from distractions. A place that gave you a feeling of comfort in silence, broken only by the ticking of the Grandfather clock. In that house, family was always more important than TV.

I will always remember you in those peaceful moments when the comfort of good food, family and friends takes priority over the hustle and bustle of the every day life. Thank you for sticking around for a whole century to show us what really matters in life. We will all miss you and hold you close to our hearts.

**Cody Weaver** - June 25 at 11:05 AM

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“ I will miss you so much. I am so happy that both you and Grandpa were able to be there for our wedding. Colin is going to miss his great grandma. He remembers the small gifts you gave him every time you saw him.

I remember the house in Meridian fondly. The tin of toys in the living room, the grandfather clock chiming when we'd sleep on the Davenport, and you teaching me to sew scrunchies. I remember the wooden painted watermelon on the back porch, fudgesicles from the deep freezer, and knowing that we'd always be well fed.

You would come stay with us when my parents were out of town. Everything would be cleaner than when you arrived, and all of our chips would be combined into a single bag. It cracked me up that “munchies” became something sold in the stores when my grandmother had been making them for years. You were so comfortable in the kitchen, but willing to try new things and learn new techniques. You never stopped learning.

Most of all I'll miss your warm, comfortable embrace. I love you Grandma.



**Carly Vollet** - June 24 at 08:48 PM

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“ Mom, I miss you so much but I rejoice in knowing that you ar home at last.



**Nolene Weaver** - June 23 at 02:25 PM

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“ You are greatly missed! You made the best curry cauliflower, you taught me how to knit, you were the sweetest!! What a legacy you have left!



**Shannon** - June 23 at 12:36 AM

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“ Best role model ever. So glad she was my Mom.

**Mary Jo Marshall** - June 22 at 05:22 PM