



## Lila Lee Brandt

August 31, 1936 - February 17, 2025

A celebration of life for LILA LEE BRANDT, 88, will be held at 1pm Wednesday February 26, 2025, at the Federated Church in Mitchell, Nebraska with Pastor Dale Brown officiating. The casket will be open briefly at the church. Cremation will take place after the service.

Lila passed away February 17, 2025, at her home in Scottsbluff. Memorials can be made to the church in Lila's name. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and condolences may be sent to [www.colyerfuneralhome.com](http://www.colyerfuneralhome.com).

Lila was born August 31, 1936, in Lyman, Nebraska to Cecil "Mike" and Mary "Bobbi" Pittman. She grew up in Lyman but received her education in Huntley, graduating in 1954. She married Vern Lackey on September 12, 1954, at the Presbyterian Church in Huntley and to this union four children were born: Tim, Kerby, Curtis and Lana. They were married 43 years before Vern's passing. She worked as a para in Goshen County for 30 years helping many children along the way. Lila was also the secretary at the Elementary school in Torrington until her retirement in 2002. After her retirement she married Maury Brandt on March 3, 2003, in Scottsbluff. Together they shared five years of love until his passing in 2008. Among the many things that Lila loved to do, music was at the top of the list. She taught herself to play the piano, accordion and steel guitar, in fact she and a very close friend Lew Russell traveled around to the local senior centers and played music for many people. Lila was a very active member of the Federated Church where she loved to socialize

with people she loved. It was often said that she never knew a stranger. Lila was a very devoted family woman, and her children and grandchildren never had to guess of her love for them. She will be deeply missed by all those that knew her.

Lila is survived by her children; Tim Lackey of Torrington, Kerby (Amy) Lackey of Torrington, Curtis (Kathy) Lackey of Cheyenne and Lana (Dana) Meisner of Scottsbluff. Her eleven grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren and brother-in-law Alan Lackey of Wheatland. She is also survived by many extended family members as well as her church family. Lila was preceded in death by both her husbands; Vern Lackey and Maury Brandt; her parents Cecil and Mary Pittman; siblings, Helen Briggs, Wanda Card and Jim Pittman.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

FEB **26**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (MT)

Federated Church  
1451 Center Avenue  
Mitchell, NE 69357

# Tribute Wall

VH

“ Verity Hager lit a candle in memory of Lila Brandt



Verity Hager - March 01, 2025 at 12:23 PM

SH

“ I will miss Lila deeply. A story that will stick with me forever is that one day during church services the sound system was acting up and she made the comment, "I think we're being tested!" Ever since that day I use her comment when trials come upon me!:)

Shelly Henderson - February 28, 2025 at 08:48 AM

SH

“ Shelby lit a candle in memory of Lila Brandt



Shelby - February 26, 2025 at 10:38 AM

DH

“ Lola was such a fun person. She was the best piano player. She was fun to be around. A very genuine person. So sorry for the loss of Lila.

Debra Henderson - February 25, 2025 at 08:53 AM

KH

“ *Lila was a wonderful person she will be missed. Always made me smile when I got the chance to see her.*

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**kristsen Hansen** - February 25, 2025 at 02:54 AM

JR

“ *The picture shows how dedicated to laughing Lila was. Lew and I already miss her - there was no piano/guitar practice yesterday afternoon. She was one of our very dearest friends and is already greatly missed. She's experiencing the glories of Heaven and that's wonderful!*

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**Joyce Russell** - February 24, 2025 at 05:25 PM

CK

“ *Dear Family,*

*We're so sorry for your loss. We met Lila through square dancing and have been friends ever since. She was the light in the room and brightened everyone's day when she was around. She was the "hostess with the mostess" at "Lila's Bed and Breakfast" as she called it when hosting friends overnight. What a talented, loving and caring person she was! We will really miss her. We're sorry we won't be able to attend the funeral as we are out of town right now. We send our condolences to all of the family.*

*Conrad and Louise Kinnaman*

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**Conrad and Louise Kinnaman** - February 24, 2025 at 04:12 PM

KR

“ *Lila and I worked together as paras at Lincoln Elementary School. Her smile brightened everyone’s and her laughter was not matched by anyone else. The Heavens have surely gained a true angel. Goodbye Lila our family will miss you.* ”

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**Kathleen Reyes** - February 21, 2025 at 08:50 PM

SF

“ *Lila was one of the brave chaperones who went with our church confirmation group to Scotland. Her kind and loving spirit helped us make many wonderful memories there, and also made her someone I’ve always remembered and loved to see and visit with from time to time. Heaven truly gained an angel.* ”

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**Sarah Felton** - February 21, 2025 at 07:27 PM



“ *Lana and Curtis I'm so sorry about the loss of your mother. She was a wonderful lady. Sending hugs and prayers for peace and comfort.* ”



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**Gayle Hascall** - February 21, 2025 at 07:23 PM

SP

“ *Sandy Pittman lit a candle in memory of Lila Brandt* ”



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**Sandy Pittman** - February 21, 2025 at 06:03 PM

AM

“ *Lila was a ray of sunshine, she enjoyed playing her piano for the residents at Mitchell Care Center.* ”



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**Angie Mills** - February 21, 2025 at 04:30 PM

RN

“ *Royce & Carolyn Nelson lit a candle in memory of Lila Brandt* ”



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**Royce & Carolyn Nelson** - February 21, 2025 at 03:46 PM