



## Cheris St. John

October 28, 1930 - March 5, 2025

Cheris (Carlyn) St John, died peacefully at a long-term care facility in Windsor, Colorado on March 5, 2025, at the age of 94. She was able to live in her own home in Fort Collins, Colorado up until a week before going to long term care facility.

Cheris is survived by her two sons Mark St John (Rhoda) and Kent St John; nephews Michael Dillie (Jan) and Michael Carrick (Stephanie) and niece Patricia Nicholson.

She is preceded in death by her parents and her husband of 67 years.

Cheris was born on October 28, 1930, in Gettysburg, South Dakota to Carl Bohnhoff and Lillian Bohnhoff (Stoner). She married Lem Gilbert (John) St John, Jr. in 1953 in Gettysburg, South Dakota where they lived for many years. There she worked as a nurse for a family doctor. After moving to Fort Collins, Colorado, Cheris began working at Poudre Valley Hospital as a Medical Technologist before working many years as a Histologist for Colorado State University School of Veterinary Medicine. Cheris enjoyed spending time with her family and tending her flowers and plants. She had a lifetime love of dolls and doll collecting and was an officer for the China Doll Club of Fort Collins. She was very talented crafting homemade quilts, doll clothes, teddy bears and other

hand sewn items. She was a 75-year member of The Order of the Eastern Star.

Condolences can be sent to [bohlenderfuneralchapel.com](http://bohlenderfuneralchapel.com)

# Tribute Wall

RW

“ I lived the first three years of my life above Lil'a dress shop. I have a picture of myself as a ring bearer at a wedding. I am pretty sure it was your parent's wedding. Your Mother lived a long and good life and I am sure she is survived by many wonderful memories and thoughts by her family.

Robert Wuttke - March 21, 2025 at 04:29 PM

JD

“ Mark, I do remember your parents as such kind and generous people. I don't remember exactly when you moved from Gettysburg to Fort Collins, but I believe you were in my class and Kent was in my brothers. So glad your Mom was able to be at home well into her 90's. She will be remembered by so many. Thanks for including the PC News in your list of obituary notices. Peace to you all - no-one can take away the special memories. Juli Newland Doerr and brother Joel.

Juli Doerr - March 17, 2025 at 06:22 PM

MA

Yes, Juli you are correct. I believe we moved in 1968.

Mark - March 18, 2025 at 07:13 PM

WF

“ Dear Mark and Kent,  
My sincere condolences to both of you at the loss of your wonderful mother. I have such fond memories of her (and your entire family) which go back to our time back in Gettysburg in the mid 1960's. She was a gentle soul with a kind heart and pleasant personality. When I moved to Colorado to attend CSU, she welcomed me into your household and family life. I will always be thankful to her for the warm and loving way she showed her kindness to me. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.  
Wayne Fischer

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**Wayne E. Fischer** - March 16, 2025 at 04:20 PM

PG

“ Mark and Kent.....a note and thoughts for you on the passing of a very sweet and enduring lady. You won't know me. I'm 82 and a fifth generation Gettysburg native still living in SD. My mother's family (Newland) were very close friends over decades with the Bohnhoffs. Your Grandfather Carl purchased my grandfather's meat business during the depression and he (Earl Newland), then worked for Carl for the rest of his life. As a teenager I also worked in the butcher shop. With my folks, who owned a hardware store at the same time, I lived a block and a half north of Carl and Lillian. On the passing of your Dad, I received a very nice note from Cheris after I had written her. She was such a dear and special person. I know she contributed land for the museum but she also wrote a memoir of sorts on her family that the Dakota Sunset Museum has on file.

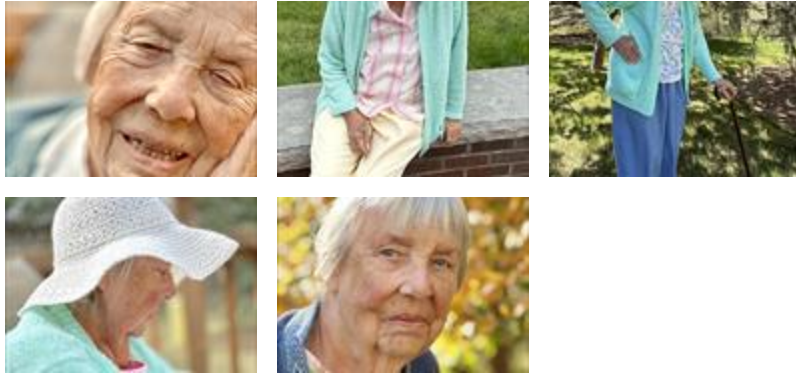
May you boys find peace and comfort in knowing Cheris lived a great life and was held dear by so many people. Patrick Gross,  
Vermillion, SD

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**Patrick Gross** - March 15, 2025 at 01:12 PM

KE

“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



Kent - March 11, 2025 at 03:19 PM

PN

*Awww good pictures She is at peace no more suffering*

Patricia A Nicholson - March 11, 2025 at 08:48 PM

KE

“ 1 file added to the album Chervis



Kent - March 11, 2025 at 03:13 PM

PN

*Good picture of you two*

Patricia A Nicholson - March 11, 2025 at 08:46 PM