



Lois Virginia Havis

August 15, 1922 - February 16, 2014

Lois Virginia Hutchinson Havis was born on August 15, 1922 and went to her Lord Savior on February 16, 2014. Lois was raised on the family dairy farm in Mendon, New York, the second oldest of four girls. She graduated from High School at the age of 15 and left home to attend Secretarial school in Rochester. She worked about eight years in industry and then attended Cornell University where she received a B.A. in Landscape Architecture. Lois met John Havis at Cornell, and they were married in Mendon on June 18, 1949. They lived in Blacksburg Virginia, and then Turrialba Costa Rica for 4 years where John worked at the Inter-American Institute for Agricultural Sciences, and she bore her oldest children, Charlotte and Robert. The family lived in Wayland, and later in Amherst, Massachusetts. Lois and John retired to Colorado Springs and then moved to Fort Collins. Lois was an evangelical Christian who supported missionary groups and other Christian organizations. She enjoyed talking about her faith and it gave her great strength and meaning in her life. Some of her other loves were children, music, and travel. As the children went off to college Lois began part time secretarial work at the UMass Graduate Research Center. She enjoyed playing the organ for church services, including the Leverette Church. She also enjoyed the family sabbatical to Europe in 1967. Thereafter, she continued to travel to the Holy Land and Eastern Europe on her own. In their later years, John and Lois traveled together by car, enjoying the nation's parks and scenery. Above all, Lois's life was dedicated to the Lord. Her faith was her life and it was

unwavering. Lois is survived by her sister Eileen Havens of Honeoye Falls, NY, Layna McCabe of Albuquerque New Mexico, her son Robert Havis of LaPorte, Colorado, her daughters Charlotte Rathke of Greeley, Colorado and Holly Havis of Greenville, Virginia, four grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. Lois was preceded in death by her parents, Robert Hutchinson and Marion Johnson Hutchinson, her husband, and older sister, Joyce Crumb. A memorial service will be held at Timberline Church, 2908 S. Timberline Road, Fort Collins at 2:00 on, February 25, 2014.

Tribute Wall

DA

“ Dear Bob, Nancy saw Mrs. Havis' obituary in the Coloradoan and sent it to us. Your mother was a sweet woman. I'm so glad that Nancy and I saw her at the party you held at your house a few years ago. In June 2013 I retired from LSU. We will likely stay in Baton Rouge as the cold bothers Joan a lot. We hope that you and your family are doing well. Regards, Dean and Joan Adrian

Donald Dean Adrian - April 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ To the Lois Havis family - Lois was a neighbor, true friend and sister in Christ. We have fond memories of her when the family lived in Amherst. We enjoyed her gifts of encouragement, her love of family and her strong faith as she reached out to help others. Our prayers are for God's blessings & comfort to all the family. Love, Don & Nancy Marion

Donald Marion - March 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers, Bob and Reba. Lois was a wonderful lady. She was so proud of you, Reba, and she loved attending all of your school events. Many hugs to you both!

Debi, Don and Hannah - February 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ Remembering my aunt. So soon after the passing of my father. Years on Cape Cod and ski trips to MA and VT. Rest in peace. Prayers for the family.

Gregg R. Havens - February 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *My dear praying friend, you will be missed. With my love to your family...Barbara*

Barbara Goff - February 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM