



Marian Andelea Steinhoff

April 14, 1921 - April 24, 2025

Marian Steinhoff went home to her Father in heaven and to rejoin her beloved husband Harold W. Steinhoff on April 24, 2025, having just celebrated her 104th birthday. She passed peacefully, in her sleep, after a full life. From the Farm, to the Dust Bowl, thru the Depression, to WWII munitions work, her faith in the Lord never wavered.

Marian was born in the family farm-house in Flaxton, North Dakota on April 14, 1921, to Warren Samuel Town and Rachel Edith Young. She joined 3 sisters (Margery, Catherine, and Emily) and 2 brothers (Stanley and Gail). School started in Flaxton, but she graduated High School in the Louisville area of Colorado, where her sister and brother in-law had a medical practice.

She attended college at Colorado State University, where she fell in love with her future husband, Harold Steinhoff. They dated and danced to “big-band” music, but WWII interrupted their budding romance. Our Dad entered the Army Air Corps and was apparently was so smitten with Marian (and in his befuddled state), he lost her phone number as he headed off to the war....

A favorite story of our family is about how Harold’s mother and father weren’t about to let this romance wither, so they just “happened” to bump into Marian at a small diner in Denver. Apparently, they got her phone number and passed it on to Harold, “who knew what to do with it”!

Harold made up for it while on leave in 1944, before heading to England. They were married in Seattle, by our grandad, Larry H. Steinhoff, on January 19, 1944. After a brief honeymoon, Harold returned to the war effort. After 3 long years of separation, he came home in 1947. And finally, they got around to having two sons, Richard T. and David L. and made their home in Fort Collins, Colorado.

In her latter years, she and Harold moved to Durango, where they built their house and enjoyed a great view of the La Plata Mountains. Their last home was at Good Samaritan's Water Valley, in Windsor, Colorado, where they lived out their life.

Harold preceded her in-death in 2019, after reaching 100 and celebrating their 75th anniversary.

Marian is survived by:

Terry and Ginny

And grandchildren (Matt and Trish, Gina, Stephanie and Joe, and Jon);

And great-grandchildren (Ryan, Keegan, Jacob, Elizabeth, Caroline, Jed, Ben, Lily, and Luke).

Dave and Pam;

And grandchildren (Nat and Becca, Toph and Jamie);

And great-grandchildren (Lydia, Elyn, and Casten).

On May 6, at 10am, we are celebrating our beloved mom's faith, life, and love at the Good Samaritan's Water Valley Chapel, 805 Compassion Drive, Windsor, Colorado. Friends of Marian are welcome to celebrate with us.

You may also send condolences to the family by emailing to steinhoffs@hotmail.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Good Samaritan Society - Water Valley Senior Living Resort
805 Compassion Dr
Windsor, 80550

Tribute Wall

BN

“ When John and I had just been engaged in 2013 we drove to Windsor for a visit with John's favorite cousin, Herold and his wonderful wife, Marian. I hadn't met them before but knew how special they were to John. I was wearing my new engagement ring but hadn't yet shown it to anyone. Marian was to be the first of any in the family. I proudly showed her my ring as John announced our happy plans to be married. I remember Marian's genuine smile and her genuine words, complimenting me on my new ring. She seemed so pleased and I felt so accepted by both Marian and Herold. Her smile and her words stayed with me over the years, as an embrace, and always will. I could hardly ever forget her. Sent with love to the whole family, Brenda Nowlin-Hubbard

Brenda Nowlin-Hubbard - May 05, 2025 at 09:33 AM

SS

Great couple sharing God's love with everyone 🙏

Skip Shelton - May 05, 2025 at 10:11 AM

MM

“ I first met Harold and Marian when they were waiting for the completion of Good Samaritan Senior Living Resort in Windsor, Colorado. There was an immediate bond between us which only deepened and grew more precious over the next decade. They were instrumental in starting the chapel, morning devotions, resident’s council, gift shop, and exercise program at Good Sam’s. They welcomed new residents and made them feel like family in their new home. As the manager of the facility, they were my counselors and most trusted prayer support. Marian’s sweet smile and gentle spirit were a comfort to me, and she became a dear friend to my mother as well. After leaving Good Sam’s, Harold and Marian supported our missionary adventures in Panama, and were always interested in hearing updates when we came back to the states. There was always a sense of security knowing that they were cheering for us. Thank you, Marian, for being in my closest, inner circle. I look forward to seeing you and Harold again, and know that you will be there waiting to welcome me into my new heavenly home. Until then, I carry your love in my heart.

Milli Myers - May 05, 2025 at 09:14 AM

MS

“ We met Marian by chance in 1988 with her husband Herold in Sitka, Alaska. We visited them several times in Durango and Windsor, and they visited us in Germany. The days we spent together on the houseboat with all the Steinhoffs on Lake Powell were unforgettable. Marian always seemed to us to be a true lady with style. Discreetly in the background, but always with charisma and a great interest in other people. She always had a smile on her face. Her strong faith in God helped her find the right partner in Harold and, in this spirit, guide her children on their path through life. The close bond of her family with children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren is also thanks to Marian. They can all be proud that she lived with them. We extend our sincere condolences to all her relatives on Marian's passing. We will always remember Marian fondly.

Martina and Wolfgang Steinhoff

Martina and Wolfgang Steinhoff - May 04, 2025 at 09:02 PM

EJ

“ I remember them as Mr. and Mrs. Steinhoff as I was growing up across the street from them on North College drive in Durango in the late 70's and 80's. They were amazing neighbors and friends and it was an honor to know them.

It's so nice to read that the both had a full life with so many loving kids, grandkids and great-grandkids.

May we all be so blessed. Rest in peace.

Eric Jungen - May 02, 2025 at 11:27 AM

BW

“ Even though it has been more than a half-century since I was Marian’s and her family’s pastor in Fort Collins, at the church of which her father-in-law was founding pastor, I have thought about them so often over the years. I have very happy memories of their wonderful encouragement and friendship, which continued even after they left Fort Collins. For instance, I still have vivid recollections of Marian’ and Harold’s warm hospitality when my wife and our young children and I were overnight guests of theirs in Durango. I am very grateful to God for the faith, hope and love she so had so deeply, and I thank our Lord Jesus Christ that she is reunited with Harold now and for all eternity. - Bruce Welander

Bruce Welander - April 30, 2025 at 06:04 PM

PB

“ I loved her very much. I first met her when she came to Vancouver for Terry and Ginny’s wedding. Since then we have shared many long distance phone calls. One of my fondest memories was when Harry and I were able to visit her in Durango. She had made such a beautiful home in Durango- such a unique guest bedroom. She was so gracious and hospitable with such delicious meals. Pat Boswell

Pat Boswell - April 29, 2025 at 10:02 AM

JA

“ *Marian was truly a special soul and a fabulous cook. Spending a few days with Terry in Pingree Park we went on several adventures with Marian, We hiked to an old caabin with a few logs standing but Marian was after colored bottles from the trash dump and with her shovel we dugged and sorted through in our search. Don't remember finding anything worth saving. Another time though was a definiite "treasure" hunt on top of Pennock Pass. Marian put Terry, David & I to picking huckleberries and raspberries. We filled a quart jar of huckleberries and that was truly a feat as they are so tiny and hard to find - but the hours spent picking were worth all the effort when Marian made a huckleberry pie that night. Best pie ever. Special memories of a special time.*

Jim Arndt

Jim Arndt - April 29, 2025 at 09:20 AM



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Bohlender Funeral Chapel - April 28, 2025 at 06:22 PM