



## Portia Lee Eischen

December 09, 1944 - November 13, 2019

Portia Lee (Quam) Eischen went to live with her Savior on Wednesday, November 13, 2019. Funeral services will be Monday November 18 at 1:30 pm at Bergen Lutheran Church in Roland. Burial will follow in the Roland Cemetery. Visitation will be Sunday from 2 to 4 at Bergen Lutheran Church in Roland.

Portia was born December 9, 1944 to Porter & Lela (Lenning) Quam of Story City, Iowa and was the first of three children.

Portia met the love of her life and married Robert (Bob) Eischen on December 14, 1963. From this union they had one daughter, Robin Lee.

Portia graduated from Story City High School in 1963. Throughout her life Portia lived and worked in the Roland-Story community. Portia always loved playing the organ and spent over 50 years playing at Bethel Lutheran in Story City, Bergen Lutheran in Roland, and Central Presbyterian Church in Nevada. She has played for countless weddings, funerals & church services but always enjoyed playing on Easter Sundays when she could open all the stops on the organ! Portia also worked for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program in Story City and Homeward in Ames where she loved spending time with the older generation.

A full Norwegian at heart, Portia carried and passed along the family tradition of making her famous kringla & carmels. Every year she also made lefsa with her brothers & cousins where there was just as much giggling and story-telling as lefsa making! Portia also loved spending time with her daughter & grandchildren, always giggling, traveling, and making memories with them. During her retirement years Portia & Bob were members of the Triple G Gilbert Square Dancing Club and spent their winters traveling around the country in their motor home.

Portia is survived by her husband of 55 years, Bob; her daughter Robin & her husband, David Stodden and their four children, Kennedy, Katherine, Christian & Camden all of Chapin, South Carolina; her mother Lela Quam, 98 years old of Story City; brother Ron Quam of Johnston, Iowa; brother Paul Quam of Story City, Iowa; sister-in-law Marlene (Mike) Fairchild of Ames, Iowa; brother-in-law Ed (Row) Eischen of Eldora, Iowa and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father and her sister-in-law, Joan Quam.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or Israel Family Hospice House.

## Cemetery

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### ROLAND CEMETERY

59168 130th St.,  
Roland, IA 50236

## Events

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### VISITATION

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Bergen Lutheran  
Church 101 W. Maple,  
Roland, IA 50236



### SERVICE

1:30 PM - 2:00 PM

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# Tribute Wall

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## Bump & Kathy Vance

Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.



**"Beautiful in Blue"**  
was purchased for the family of Portia Lee Eischen

 **Tribute Store**

*Show your support with flowers*



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**"Blue Caribbean"**  
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## Tammy Kratz & Family


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**"Heavenly and Harmony"**  
was purchased for the family of Portia Lee Eischen

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 A tree was also planted in memory of Portia Lee Eischen.



## Johnny and Mary Wasson


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## Jason VandeKieft

My condolences to your family. The thing I will always remember about Portia is that she was always the most cheerful person in the room. What a great laugh!

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## Kalen Petersen

I have nothing but the greatest memories of Portia and I am so thankful that my life's path intersected with hers and that I had the privilege of knowing her. She started as a work colleague to me in 1989 but it didn't take long before I considered her a friend. Among her many gifts, Portia was a great listener. She was never quick to speak, and was always gracious and thoughtful in the way she interacted with people. So, I loved to ask Portia for advice about everything from relationships to parenting. She was always honest and even when I heard something I didn't necessarily want to hear, I knew it was the right thing and if it came from Portia, I trusted it. On Wednesday, the world lost a beautiful lady...but boy did heaven gain a dandy! Music beyond our comprehension just got even more spectacular. My deepest condolences to Bob, Robin and family. You know I loved Portia and I love you too. You will be in my continued prayers. Kalen



## The Bantas, Woods, and VandeKiefts

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### "Written in the Stars"

was purchased for the family of Portia Lee Eischen

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## Patricia and Mark Wittman



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A memorial tree was planted in memory of Portia Lee Eischen.



## With Love, Sarah & Troy Bickelhaupt

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## Connie Safly

So sorry to hear of Portia's passing. My condolences to the family.  
Connie Safly

