

Monica DeMarco Pumpkin Bread

1¼ cups sugar

¼ cup shortening

2 eggs

1 cup pumpkin puree

1½ cups flour

¼ tsp. baking powder

¼ tsp. ground cloves

1 tsp. baking soda

½ tsp. cinnamon

¾ tsp. salt

¼ cup water

½ cup chopped nuts (optional)

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. 2. Beat sugar and shortening together until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Stir in pumpkin puree. 3. Sift together flour, baking powder, ground cloves, baking soda, cinnamon and salt and add alternately with the water to the batter. 4. Stir in nuts, spoon batter into well-greased and floured 9x5x3 inch loaf pan and bake 30- 35 minutes, or until done.