

Kathryn Waterman, age 92, of Storm Lake, Iowa died May 4, 2009 at Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake.

Kathryn Mae Shaw, the daughter of Sam and Clara Belle (Barnes) Shaw, was born at Cresco, Iowa, on October 8, 1916. Kathryn lived her youth in Sioux Rapids, Iowa where she received her education. She was confirmed in the Lutheran faith at the First Lutheran Church of Sioux Rapids.

On December 23, 1931, Kathryn exchanged marriage vows with Lowell L. Waterman. The couple was blessed with five daughters: Joan, Claribell, Joyce, Jeanette and Patricia. Lowell and Kathryn began farming south of the Lincoln Lee Township school, then they moved to a farm three miles south of Rembrandt, and their last farming site was two miles north of the canning factory in Storm Lake. In addition to being a devoted homemaker and mother and assisting on the farm, Kathryn worked for three years as a waitress at the "3 & 71 Truck Stop," where she made many lasting friendships. She was also employed at the Lee Store in Storm Lake for nine years. Following their retirement from farming, Lowell and Kathryn moved to their home on Elmwood Drive in Storm Lake. While residing in Storm Lake, Kathryn worked at the Alco store for nine years.

Kathryn became a charter member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church of Storm Lake in 1952. Music was an enjoyable part of Kathryn's life, and she played the organ and sang in the church choir. Kathryn's family was the focal point of her life and she was so very proud of her daughters. She was a gifted seamstress and sewed her daughter's dresses and also made many beautiful quilts. Kathryn cherished the times her family could gather together, and she will be remembered for her efforts in cooking all the family dinners. Kathryn was a very happy person and will be deeply missed by the people whose lives she touched.

Kathryn's life is lovingly remembered by her family: Joan and Jr. Williams of Spencer, Iowa; Claribell and Dick Larson of Callendar, Iowa; Joyce and Fred Meyer of Marshalltown, Iowa; Jeanette Waterman and her dog, Precious, of Storm Lake, Iowa; and Patricia Lilly of Sioux City, Iowa; her grandchildren: Mike (Cindy) Williams, Debbie (Don) Sundall, Marlon Larson, Bobby Larson, Gary (Roberta) Larson, Randy Meyer, Scott (DeAnn) Meyer, Peggy Meyer, Sherry (Rick) Clark, Tammy (Bruce) Norgaard, and Terry Ensley; 23 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great grandchildren; one brother, Edgar Shaw of Walnut Creek, California; other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Lowell, in 1992; and her sister, Maxine Frederick in 1974.

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Kathryn M. Waterman

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Just as you do not know how the breath comes to the bones in the mother's womb, so you do not know the work of God, who makes everything. In the morning sow your seed, and at evening do not let your hands be idle; for you do not know which will prosper, this or that, or whether both alike will be good. Light is sweet, and it is pleasant for the eyes to see the sun. Even those who live many years should rejoice in them all; yet let them remember that the days of darkness will be many. All that comes is vanity.

When one is afraid of heights, and terrors are in the road; the almond tree blossoms, the grasshopper drags itself along and desire fails; because all must go to their eternal home, and the mourners will go about the streets: before the silver cord is snapped, and the golden bowl is broken, and the pitcher is broken at the fountain, and the wheel broken at the cistern, and the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the breath returns to God who gave it. Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher; all is vanity.

— Ecclesiastes 11: 5-8 and 12: 5-8



We wish to express our gratitude for the kindness evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. Please join us for lunch and a time of fellowship and sharing at the church immediately following the funeral service.

 *Kathryn's Family*

IN MEMORY OF

Kathryn Mae Waterman

October 8, 1916  May 4, 2009

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Friday, May 8, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.
St. Mark Lutheran Church
Storm Lake, Iowa

CLERGY

Pastor Connie Spitzack

ORGANIST

Donadee Nicholson

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

"How Great Thou Art"
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Mike Williams, Randy Meyer, Scott Meyer
Gary Larson, Bobby Larson, Marlon Larson, Terry Ensley

INTERMENT

Buena Vista Memorial Park Cemetery
Storm Lake, Iowa

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