

Luetta Reese, age 76, of Sioux Rapids, Iowa died December 3, 2011 at the Spencer Municipal Hospital in Spencer.

Luetta May Zeilger, the daughter of Lloyd and Lucille (Hersom) Zeilger, was born in Emmetsburg, Iowa on May 28, 1935. She grew up on a farm between Mallard and Emmetsburg. Luetta was involved in 4-H in Palo Alto County where she participated in clothing and food nutrition projects. She continued her interest in 4-H through her children and grandchildren. Luetta attended country school through the 8th grade in Palo Alto County and then attended high school in Emmetsburg where she was a 1953 graduate of the Emmetsburg High School. She continued her education at the Emmetsburg Junior College, Iowa State Teacher's College in Cedar Falls, Iowa and completed her studies at Buena Vista College. Following college, Luetta taught 4th and 5th grade in Plover, Iowa and later 6th grade in Lohrville, Iowa.

On May 26, 1957, Luetta was united in marriage to Melvin J. Reese at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa and this union was blessed with four children: Arlene, Darwin, Mary, and Carol. After their marriage, they farmed near Rolfe and Rodman, Iowa. From 1963 to 1978, Melvin and Luetta farmed in the Webb and Marathon vicinity. During the summer of 1978, they moved to their current farm near Sioux Rapids where Luetta was still residing. Throughout her lifetime, Luetta was involved with 4-H, she taught Sunday School for many years, and was a member of the Ladies Circle, Friendship Circle, card club and Bible studies.

Luetta's life will always be cherished and celebrated by her children: Darwin Reese of Sioux Rapids, Iowa; 3 daughters: Arlene (Avery) Simoens of St. Peter, Missouri; Mary (Paul) Struss of Courtland, Minnesota; and Carol Elliott of Spencer, Iowa; 6 grandchildren: Becky and Mitch Simoens of St. Peter, Missouri; Megan and Matthew Struss of Courtland, Minnesota; John and Sam Elliott of Spencer, Iowa; her brothers and sisters-in-law: Art (Shirley) Zeigler of Holtville, California; Bill (Nancy) Zeigler of Emmetsburg, Iowa; brother-in-law: Lyle (Linda) Reese; 2 sisters-in-law: Iva Williams and Vera Brown; aunts; nieces; nephews; cousin; other extended family and friends.

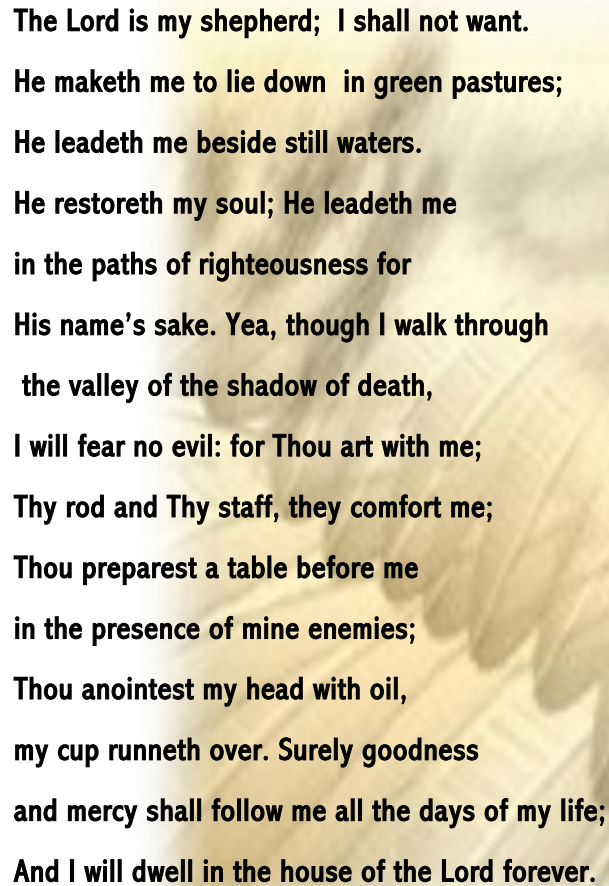
She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Melvin on August 27, 1997; and her son-in-law, Bob Elliott in February, 1997.

In Loving Memory



Luetta M. Reese

1935 — 2011



The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside still waters.
He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me
in the paths of righteousness for
His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through
the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me;
Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies;
Thou anointest my head with oil,
my cup runneth over. Surely goodness
and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

— Psalm 23

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. You are invited to join us for lunch and a time of fellowship at the Sioux Rapids American Legion Building immediately following the burial.

— The Family of Luetta M. Reese

IN MEMORY OF

Luetta M. Reese

May 28, 1935 — December 3, 2011

FUNERAL SERVICE

Thursday, December 8, 2011 at 10:30 a.m.
Sioux Rapids Baptist Church
Sioux Rapids, Iowa

CLERGY

Reverend James Marshall

ORGANIST

Minnie McKeever

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

“Victory in Jesus”
“On Eagle’s Wings”
“Lift High The Cross”

SOLOIST

Connie Marshall
“Just A Closer Walk With Thee”

CASKET BEARERS

Becky Simoens, Mitch Simoens, John Elliott
Sam Elliott, Megan Struss, Matthew Struss

INTERMENT

Lone Tree Cemetery
Sioux Rapids, Iowa

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