

 Opal B. Kendall, age 89, of Storm Lake, Iowa died Wednesday, October 26, 2005 at Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake.

Opal Beatrice Steig was born January 14, 1916 to Julius and Mabel Steig in Storm Lake, Iowa. She received her early education in Truesdale, Iowa in the first through third grades. She then attended school in Storm Lake, where she graduated from high school. Opal continued her education at Buena Vista College in Storm Lake, taking a business course of study.



On September 12, 1937, Opal was married to Leroy F.

Kendall in Faribault, Minnesota. Their union was blessed with a son, Steve.

Opal was a loving wife and devoted mother whose family was always first in her life. She also worked outside her home at J. C. Penney Company and at the newspaper office, as well as in the family's business. Opal officially retired on January 14, 1980. During World War II, Opal also contributed to the war effort by doing civil service work. She



enjoyed being active and found various outlets for keeping busy, including her service to her church, crafts, needlework and sewing.

A faithful member of First Baptist Church in Storm Lake, Opal was baptized on December 1, 1968. She also taught kindergarten Sunday School classes. Her presence will be missed by all who knew and loved her.



Left to cherish Opal's memory are her

husband, Leroy, of Storm Lake; son, Steve and his wife, Sharon of Dublin, Ohio; her grandson, Alex; her sister, June Richards, of Chicago, Illinois; and many other relatives and friends. Opal was preceded in death by her parents, Julius and Mabel Steig.



# In Loving Memory



*Opal B. Kendall*

1916 — 2005



*To Those I Love  
And Those Who Love Me*

When I am gone, release me, let me go.  
I have so many things to see and do.  
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears,  
Be happy that we had so many years.

I gave you my love, you can only guess  
How much you gave to me in happiness.  
I thank you for the love you each have shown,  
But now it's time I traveled on alone.

So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must,  
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.  
It's only for a little while that we must part.  
So bless the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away, for life goes on.  
So, if you need me, call and I will come.  
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near.  
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear  
All of my love around you soft and clear.

And then, when you must come this way alone,  
I'll greet you with a smile and "Welcome Home."

~ author unknown

**A** sincere thank you to all who have taken the time to say  
goodbye to our loved one. Your kindnesses as expressed in  
word and deed are deeply appreciated. Please join the family for  
lunch and a time of fellowship at the First Baptist Church in Storm  
Lake after the burial.



**Opal's Family**

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*January 14, 1916 — October 26, 2005*

## **FUNERAL SERVICE**

***Saturday, October 29, 2005 at 11:00 a.m.***

***Sliefert Funeral Home***

***Storm Lake, Iowa***

## **CLERGY**

***Reverend Tom Hinshaw***

## **RECORDED MUSIC SELECTIONS**

***"Amazing Grace"***

***"How Great Thou Art"***

***"In The Garden"***

## **INTERMENT**

***Buena Vista Memorial Park Cemetery***

***Storm Lake, Iowa***

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