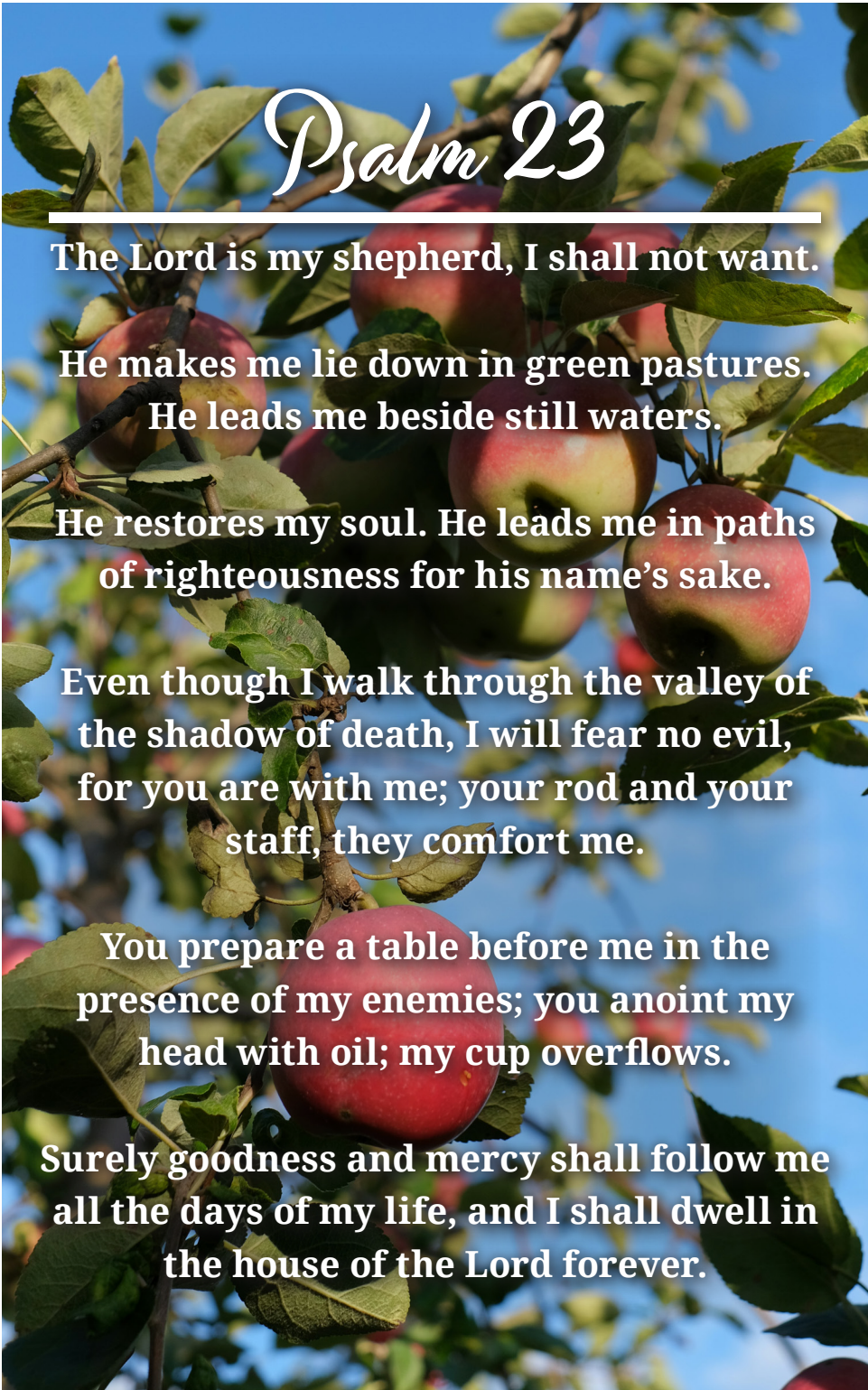




Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul. He leads me in paths
of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of
the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,
for you are with me; your rod and your
staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the
presence of my enemies; you anoint my
head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in
the house of the Lord forever.



Celebrating the Life of



Dorothy E. Short

October 24, 1925 – July 17, 2026

Dorothy E. Short, 100, of Garner, passed away Friday, July 17, 2026, at Concord Care Center in Garner.

Dorothy Elizabeth Short, the daughter of Ralph and Nettie (Howard) Ott, was born on October 24, 1925, in Clear Lake. She attended and graduated from Clear Lake High School. After high school, Dorothy moved to Seattle, WA, to join a team of women to help in the war effort by working on B-17 Bombers during World War II. These women were known as Rosie the Riveters. After the war, she returned to Iowa and was married to Wesley Robbins at the Clear Lake United Methodist Church in October of 1946. They lived with his parents before moving to a farm near Thompson. They later moved to Garner and eventually settled on a farm north of Ventura where they raised their four children, Doug, Rosie, Sherri and Kandi. In 1975, Wesley passed away unexpectedly. She then met Bill Short through a friend, and they were married in 1978. She helped him raise his six children on his farm east of Miller. She worked at Winnebago Industries in the Stitchcraft plant and helped Bill with his small fruit and orchard business, "Short's Pik Acres." They also had a successful Watkins Products business together. After Bill retired from the airport and the youngest child left home, they moved to Cabool, MO, and spent winters in Yuma, AZ. They returned to Garner ten years later to be near family. After Bill passed away in 2017, she continued to live in her home until moving to Cardinal Grove Assisted Living in 2019. She enjoyed her family, gardening, crocheting, sewing and baking pies.

She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Miller.

Dorothy is survived by her children, Doug (Sonnie) Robbins of Sioux City, Sherri (Jim) Erkel of Cedar Rapids, and Kandi (Ed) Kotz of Swaledale; stepchildren, Ron (Christine) Short of Inver Grove Heights, MN, Steve (Michelle) Short of Oregon, Mark Short (Carl Ray) of Sebastopol, CA, Bill (Lori) Short of Garner, Jeff (Lisa) Short of Garner, Daniel (Sherry) Short of North Carolina, Chris (Bobbie) Short of Mankato, MN, and Joe (Pat) Short of Kansas City, MO; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Wesley Robbins and Bill Short; parents; daughter, Rosie Bodin; stepdaughter, Cindy Short; and siblings, Donald, Jack, Margaret and Ralph, Jr.

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Dorothy E. Short

Age: 100 Years, 8 Months, 23 Days

ENTERED INTO LIFE

October 24, 1925
Clear Lake, Iowa

ENTERED INTO REST

July 17, 2026
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MEMORIAL SERVICE

Cataldo Funeral Chapel
Garner, Iowa
11 am, Tuesday, July 21, 2026

OFFICIATING

Chaplain Jani Dahlin
St. Croix Hospice

MUSIC

Beverly Cataldo, Pianist
Congregational Hymns
"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"
"It Is Well With My Soul"
"Amazing Grace"

INURNMENT

Clear Lake Cemetery
Clear Lake, Iowa

*All are invited to a luncheon at the United Presbyterian Church
Fellowship Hall immediately following the service.
Burial of the urn will follow the luncheon.*

Cataldo
FUNERAL HOMES