

23rd Psalm

THE LORD IS MY *Shepherd*: I SHALL NOT WANT.
HE MAKETH ME TO LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES:
He leadeth me BESIDE THE STILL WATERS.
HE RESTORETH MY SOUL: HE LEADETH ME IN THE
PATHS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS
for His names 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.*

Velda Belle Juffer



December 15, 1927
October 26, 2024



Velda was born December 15, 1927, on the family farm near Ireton, Iowa to Frank and Clara (Watkins) Bowden. She was the fifth of seven children. She grew up on the farm 4 miles north of Ireton and attended country school through sixth grade and then attended the Ireton Public School where she graduated. After her graduation she was employed as a telephone operator for 4 years for Northwestern Bell Telephone Company and Central Telephone Company of Le Mars, Iowa.

Velda married Gerald A. Juffer on June 30, 1947, at the Presbyterian Church in Ireton. They made their home in Ireton for 59 years until they moved to Independent Living in Sioux Center, Iowa in 2006. Her husband Gerald passed away on May 1, 2009. On October 1, 2019, she moved to Crown Pointe Assisted Living and on August 24, 2022, she moved into Crown Pointe Long Term Care. They were blessed with five children.

Velda will always be remembered as a loving Wife and Mother, who took pride in her family and home. She loved quilting and belonged to the quilting club while wintering in Arizona where they made quilts for the Boys and Girls Homes. She also enjoyed fishing, especially at their summer home in Okoboji and enjoyed baking. While living at Crown Pointe in Sioux Center she stayed busy attending the many daily activities and especially enjoyed playing bingo. She went home to her Lord and Savior on Saturday, October 26, 2024 at Crown Pointe Estates at the age of 96 years.

She is survived by her sons, Larry (Dr. John) of Kailua-Kona, Hawaii, Ronald (Debra) of Spirit Lake, Iowa, her daughters, Lanae of Wichita Falls, Texas, Pat (Steven) Flake of Iowa City, Iowa; daughter-in-law, Anna of Keokuk, Iowa; 9 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Velda was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald; a son, Dennis; granddaughter, Velerie; parents, Frank and Clara Bowden; brothers, Thayne, Dean, and Homer; sisters, Ardel Smit, Betty Lovrien and Wanda Kuchel.

***In Loving Memory Of
Velda Belle Juffer***

FUNERAL SERVICE

10:30 a.m. Thursday, October 31, 2024
Christian Reformed Church
Ireton, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Rev. Nathan Kuperus

ORGANIST

Donna Koopmans

SPECIAL MUSIC

Doug Ten Napel and Carmen Noteboom
"How Great Thou Art"

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" ATB 84
"What A Friend We Have In Jesus" LUYH 897
"Rock Of Ages" BLUE PH388
"Amazing Grace" vs 1,2,4,5 LUYH 691

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Ryan Nimetz ~ Ricque Nimetz
Cara Garry ~ Austin Flake
Lexi Flake ~ Mellissa Brown ~ Jeremy Juffer

CASKET BEARERS

Chris Juffer ~ Lynn Juffer
Greg Garry ~ Doug Smit
Tim Lovrien ~ Gerrit Juffer

INTERMENT

Pleasant Hill Cemetery
Ireton, Iowa

*Please join Velda's family for lunch and fellowship
in the church hall following the committal service.*