



Cora M. Eckstrom

January 7, 1915 - January 30, 2007

Cora M. Eckstrom was born on January 7, 1915 in Parker Township, Morrison County to the late Joseph and Anna (Ahlers) Longley. She was a graduate of Little Falls High School, and went on to received her teachers training certificate. She was united in marriage to Donald Eckstrom in June of 1941. Cora taught in the rural schools of Morrison, Todd, and Stearns Counties. She continued her education at St. Cloud University where she earned her Associates, Bachelors, and Masters degrees in education. After obtaining her education degrees, Cora taught sixth grade in the Upsala area schools, and served as a part-time principal. Later, she was appointed full-time principal of the elementary schools of Upsala, becoming the first person to hold this position in the history of the schools. Cora later retired from this position, and the couple wintered at their home in Texas.

Cora is survived by her sister, Mardelle Oothoudt of Little Falls, MN; nieces and nephews, Tom (Renae) Oothoudt of Little Falls, MN, Ashley Oothoudt (Karen) of Dead Lake, MN, Melodie Blanchard (Tom) of Englewood, CO, Sally Erickson (Terry) of Little Falls, MN, Franzine Prentice (Bill) of Australia, Kurt Podner of Minneapolis, MN, Mary Longley of Minneapolis, MN, Tom Longley of Staten Island, NY and many great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph & Anna Longley; husband, Donald W. Eckstrom; one brother, Joseph "Bob"; two sisters, Lucille and Ione. Memorials preferred to Community Covenant Church in Upsala.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Community Covenant Church
122 S Main St
Upsala, MN 56384

Service

FEB 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Cora M. Eckstrom*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *My condolences to the family of Cora Eckstrom. Cora was my teacher in Country School 212, and then again when I transferred to Upsala. Cora made a very positive impact on my life for which I am grateful. I have been looking for her for the past five years because I wanted to personally visit her to let her know what a great job she did being a teacher of academics and values. A fellow classmate of mine told me about where she resided. I was going to visit her today, February 5, but was saddened to hear she passed away on January 30. Cora was an extraordinary caring teacher who I will fondly keep in my prayers. Blessings to you all.##imported-begin##Bernadette (Herzog) Ethen##imported-end##*

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