



Ethel Irline Erickson

November 24, 1922 - April 19, 2020

Ethel Irline (Westling) Erickson of Isle, Minnesota passed away on April 19th, 2020 in Onamia, Minnesota at the Mille Lacs Long Term Care Facility.

Arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel of Onamia.

Ethel was born November 24th, 1922 in Montevideo, Minnesota to Arnold and Ella Westling. Ethel is survived by her daughters, Beverly Porter of Maryland, Julie (Danny) Beehler of Onamia, MN, and Kerri (Tim) Casper of Wahkon, MN; daughter-in-law, Sharon (Eugene) Erickson of Isle, MN; brothers, Roger Westling of Hinckley, MN, Raymond (Gloria) Westling of McGrath, MN; and sister, Ardis (Richard) Haslack of Shoreview, MN. Ethel was preceded in death by her husband, Clifford in December of 1996; her father, Arnold Westling and her mother, Ella Westling; her only son, Eugene Erickson; daughters, Sharon Jensen and Charlotte Phillips; brothers, Arnold (Junior) Westling, Lloyd Westling, Wallace Westling, Elmer Westling, Vernon Westling, Percy Westling; and her two sisters, Patty Westling and Ruby (Westling) Nix. She grew up and attended school in Malmo, Minnesota. In July of 1939, at the age of 16, she was united in marriage to Clifford Erickson at the Opstead Baptist Church. Together they farmed near Opstead, Minnesota and raised their 6 children. Every year, in July, to celebrate their anniversary, they would revisit their honeymoon spot in Ely, MN to go camping and blueberry picking. Clifford and Ethel especially loved netting and smoking fish in the fall. She enjoyed baking, quilting, canning, cooking, gardening, and showing hospitality to guests. Ethel was a storyteller and loved to tell stories about her earlier life.

She was a member of the Opstead Baptist Church. Ethel will be sadly missed by her many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren, as well as her family and friends. The family would like to say thank you to the Mille Lacs Long Term Care Facility for the wonderful care she received there. Cards and condolences can be sent to Kerri Casper at 5079 380th St Wahkon, MN 56386. A small graveside service was held with her family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ethel Irline Erickson*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *When my parents moved to the Isle senior apts, there came Etheal, she and my mom became instant friends, at that time you could leave your door open to the hall ways. Mom and Etheal would cook and bake and share with people in the apt building. they just loved to share with other people..Then later they both ended up the Onamia Nursing home, both having some memory problems, but would say hello to each other..both with big smiles on. 'She will be missed, but will see my mom now in Heaven.*

Sharon Templin - April 22, 2020 at 01:42 PM



“ *Sending our thoughts and prayers from Oklahoma. She was an amazing lady!*

Casper's - April 22, 2020 at 09:05 AM



“ *To the Erickson family, Virginia and David are sorry for your loss, she was a fun and Happy Lady. With our love, The Erlandson's in Arizona.*

David Erlandson - April 22, 2020 at 12:42 AM

AL

“ *The first time I remember Ethel, she was telling some simple jokes in the basement of Opstead Baptist church. I wondered who was this funny lady?! I really thought she had some spunk and wanted to talk to her more. She didn't disappoint! When I think of Ethel, I smile. My sincere condolences to her family.*



Angela Lapinski - April 22, 2020 at 12:05 AM

JE

“ *I don't remember Ethel without a smile on her face. She was such a woman of God. Such an amazing mother to her amazing children. Now we know she is with our Father in Heaven and she still has a smile on her face.*



Jennifer Engen - April 21, 2020 at 10:24 PM

KK

“ *Karen Knowles lit a candle in memory of Ethel Irline Erickson*



Karen Knowles - April 21, 2020 at 10:01 PM

BA

“ *Ethel and my mother Mildred Brostrom czech spent many years together as friends and one time neighbors. She was happy lady and we spent many many good times with our two families. Our parents visiting and the kids playing baseball outside. Wonderful memories. Bernice Brostrom Anderson*

Bernice Anderson - April 21, 2020 at 09:32 PM

KC

So nice to hear from you. Hope you are all doing well.

kerri casper - April 23, 2020 at 12:36 AM

KF

“ *Keith Jensen & Family lit a candle in memory of Ethel Irlene Erickson*



Keith Jensen & family - April 21, 2020 at 11:55 AM