



Mardelle R. Oothoudt

December 8, 1919 - February 25, 2010

Mardelle was born Dec 8, 1919 to the late Joseph and Anna (Ahlers) Longley at home with Dr. S.G. Knight attending.

Mardelle attended elementary school in District 30, Parker Township and graduated from Little Falls High School in 1938. Mardelle was married to Erling Oothoudt on August 31, 1940 in Minneapolis, MN. During WWII, Erling was drafted and they lived in Providence, Rhode Island and Santa Monica, CA. After the war, they returned to Randall, MN where they established Oothoudt Well Drilling, Mardelle was active in the family business for many years. Mardelle moved to Little Falls in September 2000. Due to declining health, she has resided at Diamond Willow Assisted Living since September 2008.

Mardelle was a member of the Randall Presbyterian Church, was an elder in the church, taught Sunday school and was involved in Christian Women's Club. She was a member of the VFW 9073 Auxiliary, served on the Randall school board, was a volunteer for Morrison County Public Health and served as committee member for the 100th Anniversary of the City of Randall (1990).

Her many interests included reading, walking, gardening, cooking, baking, sewing and socializing with friends. Mardelle loved to travel and especially enjoyed her many trips all over the world.

Mardelle is survived by her sons Ashley Oothoudt and wife, Karen of Moorhead, MN; Tom Oothoudt and wife, Renae of Little Falls, MN; daughters Melodie Blanchard and husband, Tom of Englewood, CO; Sally Erickson and husband, Terry of Little Falls, MN; grandchildren Brian Oothoudt of Federal Way, WA; Todd Olk of Englewood, CO; Heather Olk of Denver, CO; Paul VonderHaar of Sartell, MN; Greg Oothoudt of Champlin, MN; Brad Oothoudt of Eden Prairie, MN; Amber Oothoudt of St. Paul, MN; Jesse Oothoudt of Little Falls, MN; Kris Oothoudt of Eden Prairie, MN; and Layne Freudenrich of Little Falls, MN; great grandchildren Sydney and Mackenzie Oothoudt, Brody Oothoudt, Carter Olk, Sam VonderHaar, Carter and Ryan Oothoudt, Alex and Mason Oothoudt, Aiden Oothoudt, Ellyse Freudenrich and step great grandchildren Jenna and Cally Zevnick, Jacob and Hannah Nash and Evan Flick. Mardelle was extremely proud of her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mardelle was preceded in death by her husband, Erling on Jan 24, 1987; parents; sisters Lucille Dearborn, Ione Asleson, Cora Eckstrom; brother Robert Longley.

Memorials to the Randall Presbyterian Church, or donor's choice. Thank you all for celebrating Mom's life, there was nothing she enjoyed more than the gathering of family and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 28. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Little Falls
214 2nd Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Service

MAR 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

Randall Presbyterian Church
217 1st Street
Randall, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of
Mardelle R. Oothoudt*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - February 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mardelle R. Oothoudt*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Mardelle was a great lady & will be missed.##imported-
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March 17, 2010 at 02:25 PM



“ *We share in your sorrow and pray that you find comfort in your
many happy memories.*

*Sincerely,
Virgil and Bonnie##imported-begin##Virgil and Bonnie
Petrich##imported-end##*

February 27, 2010 at 05:31 PM



“ Dearest Sally, Melody, Tome and Ashley and families:

MY deepest condolences in Mardelle's death. She was my "English Mother" when we we in England in 1981. "Now you and Sally don't get into any trouble now". I loved her dearly and if it were not for the snow, I would have left last night for Little Falls. She was a wonderful woman, kind, generous and very, very loving. And she called a spade a spade. I wish I were with you to hug you, hold your hand, it is so hard being so far away from you now. You are all in my heart, my thoughts and my prayers. Rest in peace Mardelle. Erling will be so glad you are with him again.

Love, Sharon (Toronto)##imported-begin##Sharon Sewers##imported-end##

February 26, 2010 at 10:48 AM



“ Dear Oothoudt Family,

We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. We will keep, all, of you in our prayers. May God Bless each of you & guide you through these trying times!!!

Warm Regards, Jeri & Larry Betts##imported-begin##Jeri Betts##imported-end##

February 26, 2010 at 09:41 AM