

Mae Ellen Bersee passed away December 28, 2009 at Jefferson Memorial Hospital in Festus, Missouri.

She was born February 11, 1921 in Schaller, Iowa to Hans and Hannah (Jepsen) Andresen. She graduated from Schaller High School as salutatorian of the Class of 1938. She married Dr. C.L. Bersee of Omaha, Nebraska in 1939. Mae is survived by her daughters: Linda (Gary) Currie of Coralville, Iowa and Mary Ellen (Kevin) Carroll of DeSoto, Missouri; grandsons: Cameron (Lisa) Webb of Olatha, Kansas, Nathan J. Currie of San Antonio, Texas and Theodore J. Currie of Indialantic, Florida.

A Schaller resident nearly all her life, she worked over 30 years as a teller and cashier at the State Bank of Schaller. She was a devoted member of the First Presbyterian Church where she served as a Sunday school teacher for over 30 years, as a deacon, an elder, and president of the Ladies' Society. She belonged to, and enjoyed, C-Con Club, Red Hat Society and Arts and Crafts. Mae enjoyed her family, reading and shopping. She was always ready to go to a sale, auction, or have coffee.

Her later years were hampered by her loss of sight due to macular degeneration. Despite this challenge she kept her spirits high, even at the darkest of times, and didn't let self-pity overcome her. She enjoyed the company of people and was a loyal friend to many.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Hans and Hannah Andresen, her brothers Henry and Clyde Andresen, and her sisters Glennis Broadston and Verna Thoreson.

Memorials may be sent to Linda Currie at 2009 Waterford Drive, Coralville, IA 52241, Mary Ellen Carroll at 1056 Lake Shore Drive, DeSoto, MO 63020, or the First Presbyterian Church at Schaller, IA 51053.



IN LOVING MEMORY

MAE ELLEN BERSEE
1921 – 2009

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside still waters.
He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the paths
of righteousness for His name's 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.
—Psalm 23

We wish to express our gratitude for the kindness evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. Please join us for lunch and a time of fellowship at the church immediately following the service.

—The Family of Mae Bersee

IN MEMORY OF Mae Ellen Bersee

February 11, 1921 — December 28, 2009

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Saturday, January 9, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

*First Presbyterian Church
Schaller, Iowa*

CLERGY

Reverend Adam Cox

ORGANIST

Leon Kuhner

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"Blessed Assurance"

SOLOIST

Linda Kuhner — "In the Garden"

DUET

Linda & Leon Kuhner — "In This Very Room"

CASKET BEARERS

*Don Thompson, Kevin Carroll, Nathan Currie
Gary Currie, Ted Currie, Cameron Webb*

INTERMENT

*Schaller Cemetery
Schaller, Iowa*

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