

Alberta Thomsen, age 76, of Newell, Iowa, died Sunday, May 28, 2006 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake, Iowa.

Alberta Louise Kaskadden was born February 14, 1930 at home in What Cheer, Iowa, to Mildred Mae (Moore) Kaskadden and Benjamin Franklin Kaskadden. To this union a brother, Benjamin Franklin Kaskadden, Jr. was also born. Alberta was blessed with two other brothers, Edward Leroy Fox and Norman Eugene Fox. She attended rural schools and completed her schooling at the Barnes City School.

Alberta was united in marriage to Eggert Andrew Thomsen on September 14, 1946 and moved to Newell, Iowa where she lived the rest of her life. To this union Donna Mae Thomsen was born October 19, 1947; followed by Donald Andrew Thomsen on October 17, 1949; Rex Edward Thomsen on October 17, 1952; Ruth Louise Thomsen on October 17, 1953; Susan Kay Thomsen on August 2, 1957; and Shirley Jane Thomsen on February 2, 1959.

You would always find her at home in the kitchen cooking and baking for her family, collecting recipes, taking care of her numerous plants and flowers, gardening, bird and nature watching, reading, and taking care of her home, children, and grandchildren. She also loved to fish and picnic at Storm Lake.

Preceding her in death were her parents, brother Edward Fox, Sr. of Storm Lake, and grandson Philip Thomsen of Scottville, Michigan.

Alberta is survived by her husband Eggert Thomsen of Newell; children: Donna and Keith Biggins of Storm Lake; Don Thomsen of Delray Beach, Florida; Rex and Sharon Thomsen of Scottville, Michigan; Ruth Westergaard of Newell; Susan and Mark Puhmann of Newell; Shirley Watkins of Laurens; grandchildren: Todd Biggins of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Chad Biggins and Beth Ayala of Lakewood, Colorado; Amy and Ted Bokolas of Deerfield Beach, Florida; Matt Thomsen and Kim Costa of Deerfield Beach, Florida; Carrie Thomsen of Deerfield Beach, Florida; Mike Thomsen of Deerfield Beach, Florida; Ed and Sarah Thomsen of Allegan, Michigan; Cindy Thomsen of Scottville, Michigan; Cheri and Jason Erickson of Zuschi, Japan; Curt Westergaard of Newell; Chris Westergaard of Newell; Eric Puhmann of Newell; Erin Puhmann of Newell; Jessica Watkins of Laurens; Josh Watkins of Laurens; great-grandchildren: Johnny and Gabe Bokolas of Deerfield Beach, Florida; Hunter Thomsen of Deerfield Beach, Florida; Anthony Thomsen of Allegan, Michigan; Caleb and Ethan Erickson of Zuschi, Japan; brothers: Benjamin Franklin Kaskadden, Jr. (Frank) of Oskaloosa, Iowa; and Norman Eugene Fox of Turlock, California; many nieces, nephews, and friends.



**I have fought the good fight, I have finished
the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in
store for me the crown of righteousness,
which the Lord, the righteous judge, will
award to me on that day...**

2 Timothy 4: 7-8



In Loving Memory

Alberta Louise Thomsen

1930 — 2006



When a loved one has departed,
I can't help but wonder why,
As her body then is lowered
To a grave beneath the sky,
All the mourners come to gather
Round the lonely mound, and weep,
And return for silent visits,
Gloomy vigil there to keep.
What a dismal misconception,
What a doleful dream to face!
To imagine one would tarry
In so still and drear a place!
She is not beneath the grasses —
Lonely graves are for the dead.
She is sleeping 'mong the angels,
All the heavens are her bed.
If you linger in a graveyard,
You could never father roam
From the presence of your loved one,
Who would never call it home;
But she hovers in the sunlight
And the haunts she held so dear.
And with every prayer to heaven,
She is oh, so very near!

—Dolores Smith



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 following this service.



The Thomsen Family

IN MEMORY OF *Alberta Louise Thomsen*

February 14, 1930 — May 28, 2006

FUNERAL SERVICE

Thursday, June 1, 2006 at 10:30 a.m.

*United Methodist Church
Newell, Iowa*

CLERGY

Reverend David Schumann

ORGANIST

Coleen Baughman

SOLOIST

Dale Arends

"Shall We Gather At The River"

"The Old Rugged Cross"

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS

*Matt Thomsen—Mike Thomsen
Ed Thomsen*

CASKETBEARERS

*Todd Biggins—Chad Biggins
Curt Westergaard—Chris Westergaard
Eric Puhmann—Josh Watkins*

INURNMENT AT A LATER DATE

*Newell Cemetery
Newell, Iowa*

Arrangements by

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