

*M*arie Werner, age 95, of Schaller, Iowa died Monday, May 15, 2006 at Methodist Manor in Storm Lake, Iowa.

Elsie Marie Nelson was born January 18, 1911 to Nels Peter and Minnie Vesta (Carrico) Nelson in Battle Creek, Nebraska. She grew up in the Battle Creek area, received her education there and graduated from Battle Creek High School in 1929.

On March 24, 1929, Marie was married to Walter Theodore Werner. The couple was blessed with three children: LaRue Marie, Walter Eugene and Frances LaBelle.

Walter and Marie farmed at Meadow Grove, Nebraska for 15 years before moving to Galva, Iowa in 1946, where they had purchased a farm. They lived in the Galva, Schaller and Early, Iowa areas for the rest of their lives, except for a few years when they lived and built two homes on Lake Okoboji in Iowa. They retired on their farm east of Schaller, where they lived until Walter passed away on August 14, 1995. Marie then moved into Schaller. She later lived at Otsego Place in Storm Lake, and then at Methodist Manor in Storm Lake for four years, where she peacefully fell asleep.

Marie had a large group of friends with whom she enjoyed playing cards. She was an avid crossword puzzle player. Marie was a long-time member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Schaller, where she had been very active, was a member of Ladies Aid and L.W.M. L., holding office for a number of years.

Grandma loved and enjoyed her families; she was always alert and had a joke to share. Her sense of humor and caring ways will be missed daily by those who loved her.

Left to cherish her memory are her son, Eugene (Wilma) Werner of Early, Iowa; daughter LaBelle (Richard) Foreman of Schaller; grandchildren: Terry (Andrea) Niemeier of Galva; Dennis (Trish) Niemeier of Galva; Sue (Ray) Lorenzen of Holstein, Iowa; Jeane (Garry) Capers of San Angelo, Texas; Walter (Becky) Werner of Holstein; Wayne (Karen) Werner of Schaller; and Deane (Karen) Werner of Holstein; Rick (Marvelene) Foreman of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Sandi (Mike) Bollard of Pochahontas, Iowa; Anne (Jerry) Andresen of Holstein, Iowa; and Steve (Michelle) Foreman of Austin, Texas; 23 great-grandchildren; 14 great-great-grandchildren; extended family and friends.

Marie was preceded in death by her husband, Walter; her daughter LaRue; sons-in-law Carl Niemeier and Arthur Less; great-granddaughter Courtney Rae Foreman; her parents; 6 sisters, 1 brother and their mates; as well as Walter's parents, his siblings and their mates except for two sisters-in-law and special friends, Margaret and Tony Ulrich and Ferd and Tena Hansen.

# *In Loving Memory*



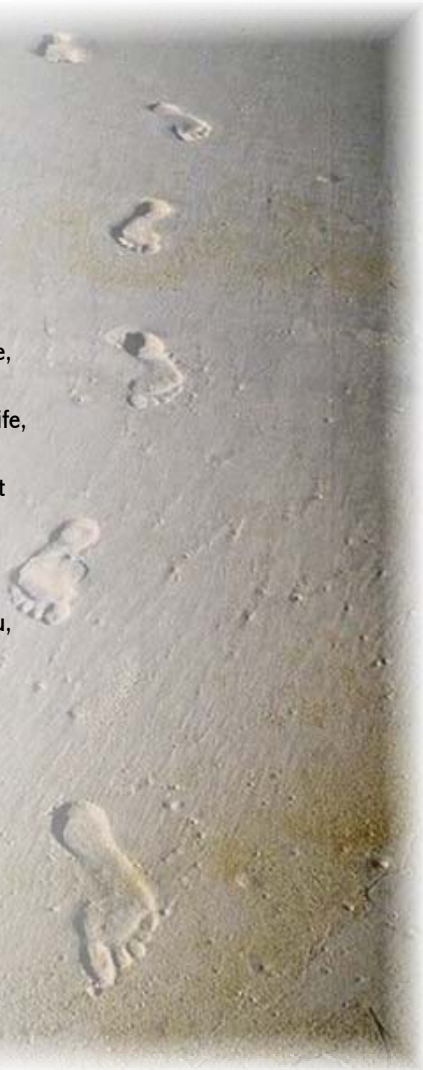
**Elsie Marie Werner**

1911 — 2006

# Footprints

One night I had a dream —  
I dreamed I was walking along the  
beach with the Lord and  
Across the sky flashed scenes of my life.  
For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints  
In the sand.  
One belonged to me and the other to the Lord.  
When the last scene of my life flashed before me,  
I looked back at the footprints in the sand.  
I noticed that many times along the path of my life,  
There was only one set of footprints.  
I also noticed that it happened at the very lowest  
And saddest times in my life.  
This really bothered me and I questioned  
The Lord about it.  
“Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you,  
You would walk with me all the way.  
But I have noticed that during the most  
Troublesome times in my life  
There is only one set of footprints.  
I don’t understand why in times when I needed  
You most, you should leave me.”  
The Lord replied, “My precious, precious child,  
I love you and I would never, never leave you  
During your time of trial and suffering.  
When you saw only one set of footprints,  
It was then that I carried you.”

—author unknown



## IN MEMORY OF *Elsie Marie Werner* January 18, 1911 — May 15, 2006



**FUNERAL SERVICE**  
*Thursday, May 18, 2006 at 1:30 p.m.*  
*St. Paul Lutheran Church ■ Schaller, Iowa*

**CLERGY**  
*Pastor David Lyons*

**MUSIC**  
*Carol Wendel, Organist*

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS**  
“Lift High The Cross”  
“I’m But A Stranger Here”  
“Beautiful Savior”

**CASKET BEARERS**  
*Marie’s Great-Grandsons*  
*Clayton Werner—Trent Werner—Matt Werner*  
*Saul Foreman—Aaron Foreman—Evan Andresen*  
*Nick Bollard—Chris Werner—Mike Neimeier—John Lorenzen*

**INTERMENT**  
*Schaller Cemetery ■ Schaller, Iowa*

*Arrangements by*  
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**Jesus answered, “I am the way and the  
truth and the life. No one comes  
to the Father except through me.”**



John 14: 6

**W**e wish to express our gratitude for the kindness evidenced in thought  
and deed, and for your attendance at this service. You are invited for  
lunch and a time of sharing at the church immediately following the burial.



*The Werner Family*