

Alice Marie (Hudson) Stoelting was born December 20, 1915 in rural Schaller, Iowa, where she was a lifelong resident. She met her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, October 3, 2007.

Alice graduated from Schaller High School in 1933. She excelled in school and was selected to read her graduating class' poem. Her love of music evidenced itself in her singing and playing the piano.

Three months after her twentieth birthday, she married Otto Paul Stoelting. As a faithful farmer's wife, she worked very hard. Years later, Otto and Alice welcomed one beloved son, Wendell, who brought them a great deal of joy.

As a lady of faith and family, Alice served as a member of Immanuel Reformed Church of Christ and participated in the Ladies Aid. Alice enjoyed sewing and baking for her family. She enjoyed her garden and her flowers—



especially gladioli, which she would bring to family gatherings. With a green thumb, she kept all kinds of plants growing and thriving. Homemade cakes, bars, and cookies were synonymous with Alice. Her delicious angel food cake highlighted family dinners. Alice's gentle kindness even extended to her dog, Yeller, her cats, and the many wild birds, which she fed.

For Alice, John 3:16 was real, and that comforts her family. She also did many quiet good deeds. Her life is treasured by her only grandchildren, Stacie Ruth Stoelting and Carrie Beth Stoelting. Alice and her granddaughters were very close and



spent a lot of time together. They will deeply miss their beloved "Grandma Alice."

Left to cherish her memory is her immediate family: her only child, Dr. Wendell Stoelting and his wife Mary, of Cherokee, Iowa; two granddaughters, Stacie and Carrie Stoelting; and one sister, Mary Cole of Schaller. Surviving nephews and nieces include John Cole of Schaller; Sharon Stoos (Brian) of Remsen, Iowa; Nancy Ehlers (LaVerne) of Sioux City, Iowa; Kenneth Stoelting (Jean) of Sac City, Iowa; Carol Nicholson of Ashland, Kansas; Betty Stoelting of Carroll, Iowa; Marlene Hemmer (John) of Gravois Mills, Missouri;



Phyllis Skinner (Lyle) of Lake City, Iowa; and Jeanette Leathhead (Dale) of New Holland, Pennsylvania. Friends include Hilda Beamer, Ruth Beamer, and Methodist Manor residents and nurses/aides.

Alice was preceded in death by her husband, Otto Stoelting; her parents, John Thomas and Florence May (Carran) Hudson; two siblings, John Frederick Hudson and Ann Elizabeth Hudson; and her brother-in-law, James Cole.



Celebrating

A Special Life



Alice Marie Stoelting

1915



2007

We are deeply grateful for the wonderful nurses and nurses aides at Methodist Manor who provided excellent care for Alice. Thank you to those who visited Alice while she was in the nursing home. We truly appreciate our precious Pastor Clint Hogrefe, Dave Brown, Glee Crippin, and Jill Freed who have taken their time and talent to minister to our family today as we honor Alice, our mother and grandmother.

The Stoelting Family

*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

IN MEMORY OF

Alice Marie Stoelting

December 20, 1915 — October 3, 2007



FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday, October 6, 2007 at 10:30 a.m.
Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home — Storm Lake, Iowa

CLERGY

Pastor Clint Hogrefe

PIANIST

Jill Freed

SOLOISTS

Glee Crippin

"In Christ Alone"

Dave Brown

"Give Me Jesus"

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

"Because He Lives"

BEARERS

Brad Anderson, Ron Holstein, Scott Friedrichsen

John Cole, Dennis Mauser, John Franken

HONORARY BEARERS

Kenneth Stoelting, Blaine Stoelting

LaDon Grotjohn, Loren Movall

INTERMENT

Immanuel Reformed Church of Christ Cemetery

Rural Schaller, Iowa



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Grandma Alice

By Alice's granddaughter, Stacie Ruth Stoelting
October 3-4, 2007

Part One: Grandma Alice's Time on Earth

Into a farm life, surrounded by corn,
You entered this world and were born.
Tended by farmers, you soon matured,
Into the city, you never were lured.

While you grew gardens, God grew your faith
During tough times – your faith did not shake.
Since you knew Jesus, you always kept going.
You simply worked hard, and gardens kept growing:

A plethora of plants, flowers, and more
Never ceased to amaze the folks at your door.
And you welcomed your son, who loved you so,
He helped you and worked so the farm would grow.

Seasons arrived and left, and you kept on,
The sun rose and set, the time just crept on.
Then alongside you, your granddaughters walked
Into your garden, while you tended and talked.

In your last days, it was clear to see
Your love of gardens had grown within me.
We talked of our love of creation,
We talked of Christ and salvation.

Then your body seemed to grow weak,
You struggled. You were unable to speak.
Then, yesterday, Jesus entered your room.
He healed you. Now, you eternally bloom!

Part Two: Grandma's Reaction to Heaven

*Perfect, purest ecstasy!
Hopes — filled! Now healed! Free!
Endless, preserved — ideal life!
Safety. All things now made right.*

*Vastly better than this earth's!
Fulfilled now, without a curse.
Never night — the Lord's light!
Peace! Joy! Love! Held by Christ!*