

*I*rene Mandernach, age 88, of Storm Lake, Iowa died November 11, 2007 at the Newell Good Samaritan Center.

Irene Vernice Mahler was born April 17, 1919 in Aurelia, Iowa, the daughter of Theodore and Sophie (Hasenwinkel) Mahler. She spent her youth in Cherokee County and attended school at Elk Country School. On June 4, 1939, Irene was joined in marriage to Raymond Mandernach at the Methodist Parsonage in Storm Lake. The couple was blessed with six children: Bruce, Eugene, John, Jeannine, Darrel, and one son who died as an infant.

Raymond and Irene farmed north of Storm Lake until they moved to Storm Lake, where they lived together until Raymond's death on September 14, 1993. Irene was a faithful member of Grace Lutheran Church in Storm Lake, where she was also active in the Ladies Aid. She was a member of the Buena Vista Garden Club and gave time as a volunteer for the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center Coffee Shop. Irene enjoyed sewing and liked to quilt. Her family was always her first concern and she treasured the time she spent with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She will be dearly missed by all those who loved her.

Left to cherish her memory are her four sons: Bruce and wife Eileen of Newell, Iowa; Eugene and wife Gladys of Storm Lake; John and wife Millie of Adel, Iowa; Darrel and wife Linda of DeSmet, South Dakota; her daughter, Jeannine Johnson of Storm Lake; grandchildren: Rhonda (Ron) Degner, Rodney (Melisa) Mandernach, Ryan (Sherry) Mandernach, Reece Mandernach, Brenda (Lance) McFadden, Douglas (Linda) Mandernach, Rick (Lisa) Mandernach, Angela Mandernach, Grant (Diana) Mandernach, Eric (Jean) Mandernach, Melissa (James) Temple, Kirk (Jaci) Johnson, Carrie (Josh) Nothdurft, LeAnn (Michael) Bartholow, Jenna Mandernach; great-grandchildren: Rachel, Shayla, Shane, Chelsea, Mackenzie, Aaron, Allison, Megan, Lauren, Jordan, Jaycee, Hunter, Preston, Rebecca, Elli, Nolan, Savannah, Mason, Aibrey, Andrew, Courtney, Collin, Trevor, Ayden, Avery and Ethan; foster great-grandchildren: Tyler, Alexis and Jeremy; her sisters: Florence Buddenhagen of Aurelia, Iowa and Rosalyn Puhmann of Litchfield, Minnesota; sister-in-law, Delores Mahler of Cherokee, Iowa; brother-in-law, Earl J. Mandernach of Odebolt, Iowa; nieces, nephews, extended family and many friends.

Irene was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Raymond; an infant son; a grandson, Michael; a granddaughter, Julie; brothers and sisters and their spouses: Clara and Calvin "Kelly" Zoffka, Walter and Esther Mahler, Elmer and Waldina Mahler, Florence Mahler (Elmer's first wife), Leona and Albert Holland, LaVera Mahler, Emmett and Eunice Mahler, and Richard Mahler; brothers- and sisters-in-law: John Buddenhagen, Earl Puhmann, Dorothy and Russell Anderson, and Bonnie Mandernach.



## In Loving Memory



**Irene Vernice Mandernach**

1919



2007

# *New Wings*

I just wanted to let you know that I made it home.

The journey wasn't an easy one,  
but it didn't take too long.

Everything is so pretty here,  
so white, so fresh and new.

I wish that you could close your  
eyes and that you could see it, too.

Please try not to be sad for me.

Try to understand.

God is taking care of me...

I'm in the shelter of his hands.

Here there is no sadness, no sorrow, and no pain.

Here there is no crying, and I'll never hurt again.

Here it is so peaceful when all the angels sing...

But I really have to go now...

I just have to try my new wings!

— author unknown

*W*e 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 sharing at the church following the services.

 *The Mandernach Family*

## IN MEMORY OF

*Irene Vernice Mandernach*

April 17, 1919  November 11, 2007

### FUNERAL SERVICE

Thursday, November 15, 2007 at 10:30 a.m.  
Grace Lutheran Church — Storm Lake, Iowa

### CLERGY

Reverend Steve Schulz

### ORGANIST

Scott Schuelke

### SOLOIST

Lee Radke

"How Great Thou Art"

### CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"I Am Content"

"I'm But A Stranger Here"

"Because He Lives"

"Old Rugged Cross"

### CASKET BEARERS

Irene's Grandchildren

Rhonda Degner, Rodney Mandernach, Ryan Mandernach, Reece Mandernach,  
Brenda McFadden, Douglas Mandernach, Rick Mandernach, Angela Mandernach,  
Grant Mandernach, Eric Mandernach, Melissa Temple, Kirk Johnson,  
Carrie Nothdurft, LeAnn Bartholow, Jenna Mandernach

### INTERMENT

Buena Vista Memorial Park Cemetery — Storm Lake, Iowa



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