

Dianne Ehrp, age 58, of Schaller, Iowa, died January 14, 2008 at her home in rural Schaller, after a courageous battle against cancer.

Dianne Jean Cork was born on June 29, 1949 in Alta, Iowa, the daughter of Wilfred Earl and Marjorie Ann (Miller) Cork. She spent her youth in the Galva, Iowa area and graduated from Galva High School in 1967. She then attended the American Institute of Business in Sioux City, Iowa.

On March 9, 1968, Dianne was united in marriage to Donald Laverne Ehrp at the Silver Creek United Methodist Church in rural Schaller. The couple was blessed with two children: Brian Keith and Michelle Lynn.

Dianne and Don raised their family on their dairy farm west of Schaller, where they worked side-by-side in all aspects of the dairy operation, field work and daily farming chores. True partners in marriage and in life, Don and Dianne would have celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in March 2008.

Dianne was an active, faithful member of the United Methodist Church in Schaller, where she served on the church board, and was a member and past chairperson of the Schaller United Methodist Women. She was very honored to receive the special mission recognition pin this year.

Equally active in her community, Dianne was a former 4-H leader, member of Non-Ame, and served as a former secretary and vice-president of AMPI. She also worked at Sparky's in Schaller for a few years. When she could find the extra time away from all her activities, Dianne thoroughly loved to shop. She was also a fabulous cook who greatly enjoyed entertaining. Friends and family were always welcome in her home.

A loving wife and devoted mother, Dianne found her greatest joy in life in her family. When her grandchildren came along, they held a special place in her heart. Dianne was known for her bright and cheery smile, and she often shared her laughter with her many friends. She will be deeply missed by all those who knew and loved her.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband, Don, of Schaller; son Brian (Guadalupe) of Schaller; daughter Michelle (Ricky) Stephan of South Sioux City, Nebraska; grandchildren; Courtney, Rachel, and Payton Stephan and Morgon Ehrp; brothers: Ron (Vicki) Cork of O'Neill, Nebraska and Richard (Florene) Cork of Schaller; sisters: Debra (Terry) Arter of Wall Lake, Iowa and Donna (Allen) Sackett of Schaller; sisters-in-law Kay Cork of Ida Grove, Iowa and Carolyn Wiese of the Denver, Colorado area; brothers-in-law: Warren (Linda) Ehrp and Orangy Ehrp, both of Schaller; many nieces, nephews, extended family and a host of friends.

Dianne was preceded in death by her parents; one grandson, Trevor Stephan; and one brother, John Cork.



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



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



Dianne's Family

In Loving Memory



Dianne Jean Ehrp

1949  2008

A Letter to My Family & Friends

To my dearest family, some things I'd like to say,
But first of all to let you know, that I arrived okay.
I'm writing this from Heaven, where I dwell with God above.
Where there are no tears or sadness, there is just eternal love.
Please do not be unhappy, just because I'm out of sight,
Remember that I'm with you, every morning, noon and night.
That day I had to leave you, when my life on Earth was through,
God picked me up and hugged me, and He said, "I welcome you."
"It's good to have you back again, you were missed while you were gone,
As for your dearest family, they'll be here later on."
"I need you here so badly, as part of my big plan,
There's so much that we have to do, to help our mortal man."
Then God gave me a list of things He wished for me to do.
And foremost on that list of mine is to watch and care for you.
I will be beside you, every day of the week and the year,
And when you're sad, I'm standing there to wipe away the tear.
And when you lie in bed at night, the day's chores put to flight,
God and I are closest to you in the middle of the night.
When you think of my life on Earth, and all those loving years,
Because you're only human there's bound to be some tears.
Do not be afraid to cry, it does relieve some pain.
Remember, there would be no flowers without a little rain.
One thing is for certain, though my life on Earth is over.
I am closer to you now, than I ever was before,
I am not far away from you, I'm just beyond the crest.
And know I am content with my life, it was worthwhile.
When you're walking down the street and you have me on your
mind,
I'm walking in your footsteps, only half a step behind.
And when you feel a gentle breeze of wind upon your face,
That is me giving you a great big hug, or just a soft embrace.
When it's time for you to go from that body to be free,
Remember you are not going, you are coming home to me.
I will always love you, from that place way up above.
I will be in touch again soon,

P.S. God sends his love.

—author unknown

Dianne's grandchildren were
very special to her.



IN MEMORY OF

Dianne Jean Ehrp

June 29, 1949 — January 14, 2008

FUNERAL SERVICE

Thursday, January 17, 2008 at 10:30 a.m.
United Methodist Church — Schaller, Iowa

CLERGY

Reverend Terry Pollard

ORGANIST

Diana Pollard

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

"Here I Am Lord"
"Because He Lives"

QUARTET

Aaron, Gabriel, Caleb, and Nathanael Cork
"You Raise Me Up"
"On Eagle's Wings"
"Wind Beneath My Wings"

CASKET BEARERS

Glen Bartels, Warren Ploeger, Donald Thompson, Rich Naberhaus
Ron Sandhoff, Alan Brotherson, Dr. Steve Mead, Russell Bubke

PARKING ATTENDANTS

Chad Ehrp, Sean Ehrp, Klint Cork

INTERMENT

Galva Township Cemetery — East
Galva, Iowa

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