



Alice M. Peterson

February 10, 1937 - August 21, 2020

Alice Marie Peterson entered into eternal life at 3:06 a.m. on August 21, 2020.

Celebration of Life Visitation will be held on Saturday, October 3, 2020 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in ALTA. Burial will be held at a later date in the Storm Lake Cemetery. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Alta is in charge of the arrangements.

Alice was born to Esther Edith Peterson and Alfred Emanuel Peterson on February 10, 1937 in Storm Lake, Iowa. They made their home on a farm east of Alta. She attended Alta Community School all twelve years.

Growing up, she was great help to her parents and brothers Richard, Roger, and Norman. She was baptized in 1937 and confirmed in 1948. She later attended Buena Vista College, obtaining a 2-year teaching degree (1957-1959). Following that, she went back to BVU and received her 4-year teaching degree.

Nashwank-Keewatin School was honored to get a wonderful Iowa farm girl to northern Minnesota to teach for 3 years. Wanting to be closer to her family, Alice obtained a 4th grade position in the Albert Lea School System, where she taught 4th grade in four different elementary schools for 34 years. There, she touched the lives of many fellow instructors, students, church members

and anyone else she met. She retired from teaching in 1997 and stayed in Albert Lea and was active in volunteering. She belonged to the First Presbyterian Church women's group, did secretary work, helped with ABC Reading Club, volunteered at the hospital, and drove for Meals on Wheels. For 50 years she was active in Delta Kappa Gamma, where she served as Treasurer for the State of Minnesota and the State President. Alice spent a lot of time with fellow retired teachers and friends.

To be closer to relatives, she moved back to Alta in 2008. There she joined the Alta Methodist church and was involved in serving the church. She also joined the Alta Kiwanis. She entered into WellLife in 2009 and met a lot of new friends. There she took an active part in the lives of many fellow residents. Alice finished her last few years in WellLife, Newell Good Samaritan, and Accura Healthcare in Aurelia.

Preceding her in death was her father, Alfred E. Peterson and her mother, Esther E. Peterson. Those left to cherish her memories include her brothers Richard (MaryEllen) Peterson of Bothell, Washington, Roger Peterson of Alta, Iowa, and Norman (Phyllis) Peterson of Los Luna, New Mexico. Also surviving her were nephews Corey (Megan) Peterson, Jon (Haley) Peterson, Cole Peterson, Mike (Tara) Downie, nieces Staci (Kevin) Lord, Kari (Anthony) Hager, Cassady (Lucas) Bartlett, and Melonie (Cale) Furstenberg. She will also be fondly remembered by 15 great nieces and nephews.

Tribute Wall



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - October 02, 2020 at 08:56 AM

DB

“ Sympathy to the family of Alice. She had such a kind, sweet, happy personality! I remember her at Aunt Violet's and have several pictures of her when she was younger. Heaven gained a beautiful angel!

Donna Bird - September 28, 2020 at 01:48 PM

MR

“ We enjoyed Alice greatly when at Well Life she would join our group of Knitters and Crocheters. Always enjoyed visiting with her. She was always anxious to help us out, untangling or holding our yarn, and even pitching in to help, doing some needlepoint. She was a very sweet lady and so happy I met her there. She will always be remembered. May she Rest In Peace!



Margie Rahe - September 25, 2020 at 01:45 PM

LE

“ Just heard of cousin Alice’s passing when doing some family research. Sympathy to the family. Many pictures and fond memories at grandpa and grandma’s farm as well as our trip to Norway and Sweden. Blessings to you all. So sad we have lost touch.
Lorraine Peterson Ernst

Lorraine Peterson Ernst - September 16, 2020 at 04:06 PM

BP

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers to all the families. Many special memories of Alice. *Betty and Chad Peterson.*

Betty Peterson - August 25, 2020 at 07:46 PM

TM

“ Tammy Miller lit a candle in memory of Alice M. Peterson



Tammy Miller - August 24, 2020 at 05:54 PM

JG

“ Jess Greene lit a candle in memory of Alice M. Peterson



Jess Greene - August 23, 2020 at 03:41 PM

MB

“ My sympathy to my Peterson cousins on Alice's passing. I remember meeting her several times and know that she spent her life serving others. God be with you all.

Miriam Peterson Baker

Mim Baker - August 22, 2020 at 03:50 PM

NS

“ I met Alice through Delta Kappa Gamma. She had a pleasant manner and was very happy to have visitors. She spoke highly of her family. Alice was a dedicated teacher and a wonderful friend.
Nancy Sliefert

Nancy Sleifert - August 22, 2020 at 01:56 PM

TP

“ To the Peterson Family: Every pastor has special people in the church he/she pastors. Alice was one of those kind of people. She endeared herself to me as a true friend and always displayed a kind and gentle spirit. She was always willing to help and serve wherever and whenever she could. Alice was a woman of strong Christian faith and loved her family, her friends, and her church. I am forever grateful for the privilege of having served as her pastor at Alta UMC from 2006-2011. I am a better person because of the example and influence of Alice in my life. My prayers are extended to all the family at the time. May the grace and peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with each of you during this time. I know she is safe in the arms of Jesus and with the Jesus she loved. - Pastor Terry W. Pollard (Des Moines, IA)

Terry Pollard - August 22, 2020 at 11:58 AM

CA

“ Miss Peterson (Alice) was my fifth grade teacher in Linn Grove. Last summer another classmate and I visited Alice in Aurelia We had a great visit and we were both able to share with her that she had been a great influence in our decisions to become teachers.

Cheryl Anderson - August 22, 2020 at 11:52 AM

JN

“ When I think of Alice I remember her infectious smile and if you were in a bad mood in seconds Alice could take away your blues.

John Nordstrom - August 22, 2020 at 11:29 AM

PH

“ Pam Henderson lit a candle in memory of Alice M. Peterson



Pam Henderson - August 22, 2020 at 11:19 AM

MR

“ We so enjoyed Alice when she joined our knitting and crocheting group when she was at Well life. She had great wisdom and a good sense of humor. May Alice Rest In Peace. Margie Rahe

Margie Rahe - August 22, 2020 at 09:35 AM

RK

“ I remember Alice. We rode the same school bus. She was always so nice to me. My sympathy to her family.

Ruth Ann (Peterson) Kane - August 21, 2020 at 04:48 PM