



## Florence Schoenthal

December 14, 1917 - July 31, 2014

Florence Schoenthal, age 96, of Storm Lake, Iowa formerly of Schaller, Iowa died Thursday, July 31, 2014 at the Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, August 6, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Schaller. Burial will follow in the Schaller Cemetery. Visitation will take place Tuesday, August 5, 2014 from 5-7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Schaller. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Schaller is in charge of the arrangements.

Florence Edgington was born December 14, 1917 in Yetter, Iowa the daughter of George Martin and Minnie Alice (Rawlings) Edgington.

Florence attended school in Sac City, Iowa.

On May 9, 1935 Florence was united in marriage to Jonathon King at the First Christian Church Parsonage in Sac City. Together they were blessed with one son, Robert.

After Jonathon passed away, Florence married Merle Schoenthal on July 10, 1983 at the Lakewood Ballroom in Lake View, Iowa.

Florence spent her life working at the Schaller Popcorn Company and

cleaning homes. She was a faithful member of the Schaller Methodist Church. She loved to dance and after the death of her first husband, she went with friends to many dances. While dancing at Lakewood Ballroom in Lake View, she became reacquainted with Merle Schoenthal whom she had known in elementary school in Sac City. Merle's wife had recently died and as Merle and Florence spent more time dancing, they realized they would like to spend the rest of their lives together. They celebrated twenty-five plus years together.

Florence also liked to cook and entertain family and friends. Popcorn Days were always a favorite time as she invited friends and family together to celebrate Schaller's heritage. Some years there were 30-40 gathered for a picnic lunch in the backyard following the parade. Fun and good food were enjoyed by all in attendance.

Florence will be remembered as a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, and friend. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children: Robert (Sharon) King of Des Moines, Iowa; LeRoy (Kathy) Schoenthal of Lake View, Iowa; Nadine Meeks of Fort Washakie, Wyoming; grandchildren: Timothy (Joan) King and their children, Hannah and Heather; grandson-in-law, Darryl Dalen and his children: Nicholas, Stephanie, and Kyle; Jed (Cody) Meeks and their children: Leona, Nathen, and Devon; Erica Meeks and her children, Taj and Nuvia; Shiloh (Juan) Stevens-Plascencia and their children, Joaquin and Anexia; numerous nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Florence was preceded in death by her parents; two husbands, Jonathon King and Merle Schoenthal; sister, Lillian Mowry; infant brother, Merton Edgington; brothers: Mike and Lawrence Edgington; granddaughter, Patti Dalen; son-in-law, Pete Meeks.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Schaller  
306 S Main St  
Schaller, IA 51053  
(712) 275-4205  
jensenfuneralhomes@gmail.com  
<https://www.fratzkejensen.com>

## Service

AUG 6. 10:30 AM (CT)

United Methodist Church -- Schaller  
209 W 3rd Street  
Schaller, IA

## Interment

AUG 6 (CT)

Schaller Cemetery

# Tribute Wall

RB

“ Florence was a special woman. My second Mom. Grand Central Station had the best coffee around. I will cherish all the memories. May she walk with God and rest in peace. Im sure she is at peace and getting caught up with all her family and friends  
I miss you and loved all the phone calls. We always had some real good talks  
Thank you

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**Robert Brenner** - August 09, 2014 at 05:17 PM



“ Sympathy Arrangement In Basket (Large) - Multicolor Pastel Mixed Flowers was purchased for the family of Florence Schoenthal.



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August 04, 2014 at 12:56 PM

MJ

“ A neighbor in Schaller who became a very dear and special friend when I moved to Storm Lake. I could listen to her for hours about the early days and people from Schaller. Rest in Peace "MY Friday Lady". Love you. Thoughts and prayers for her family.

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**Mabel Jewell** - August 02, 2014 at 04:56 PM



“ I got to know Merle and Florence when they would come over to my neighbor Vera Lynch's home. I always loved visiting with Florence and Merle at their home too. Such a sweet lady. I always remember her talking about a grandson or great grandson named Nicholas, like I have a son named Nicholas too. Prayers to the family. Sharri Hansen

Sharri Hansen - August 01, 2014 at 11:02 PM

DH

“ Florence was my next door neighbor when I first moved into my apartment. I have many memories of her-her generosity, great sense of humor, kindness. My sympathy to her family. She is missed.

Dori Harvey - August 01, 2014 at 04:53 PM

Amy Galles

“ she will be deeply missed. she could always make me smile. making sure everyone knew "that's my flower girl and she don't even remember it" and of coarse I told in my defense "of coarse not Florence, I was only 4" :) always keeping me updated on everyone in Schaller even though I should of been the one to know before her. haha. my thoughts and prayers are with you all. hugs

Amy Galles - August 01, 2014 at 03:38 PM



“ I purchased the Lavender & White Sympathy Flo or Basket for the family of Florence Schoenthal.



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“ *Gay Leask lit a candle in memory of Florence Schoenthal*



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**Gay Leask** - August 01, 2014 at 06:33 AM

KB

*Rest in peace Florence. I will never forget your friendship to my mother, Mary Brenner. She thought a lot of you!*

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**Kathy Breuklander** - August 01, 2014 at 09:28 PM