



Jean Thatcher

December 29, 1926 - June 30, 2020

Jean Thatcher, age 93, of Storm Lake, Iowa died on Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at the Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake.

There are no services planned at this time. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Jean Etta Thatcher, the daughter of John and Etta (Kurth) Saathoff, was born on December 29, 1926 in Coggon, Iowa. Jean was baptized into the Lutheran faith.

Growing up, Jean attended grade school and high school. She graduated from Anamosa High School and later attended business college in Mason City, Iowa. She eventually returned to Bode, Iowa to help her father with his creamery business where she assisted with bottling milk, making cream and butter and other dairy products for the community.

Jean was united in marriage to Charles Thatcher in Fort Dodge, Iowa. The couple was blessed with two children, Cherie and Bruce.

Some of Jean's hobbies included reading, walking, decorating and maintaining her home. Above all, Jean loved spending time with her grandchildren. She never missed an opportunity to attend their school events,

play with them, and read to them.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband, Charles Thatcher of Bode, Iowa; children, Cherie (Dana) Courter of Storm Lake, Iowa and Bruce Thatcher of Oakland, California; sister, Norma (Harry) Vestweber of Humboldt, Iowa; grandchildren: Ryan Courter of Storm Lake, Iowa and Ethan Courter of Iowa City, Iowa; nieces and nephews: Kay (Dan) Shaw of Rosemont, Minnesota; Karen (Jeff) Davis of Duncombe, Iowa; David (Darcie) Jass of Alden, Iowa; Jane (Tom) Dunning of Alden, Iowa; John (Pam) Jass of Vanwert, Iowa; and extended family and friends.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents, John and Etta (Kurth) Saathoff; brothers, Duane and Jackie Saathoff; sister, Doris Jass; brothers-in-law, Bill Jass and Harry Vestweber; sister-in-law, Lois Saathoff; nephews: Dan Shaw, Christopher (Val) Jass, and Mike Jass.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Talked to Jean many times at the Manor. Loved her big, friendly smile. She sat at the dining table with my mom. I will miss chatting with her at the table, in the fireside room and out on the front walk. Jean was a very pleasant lady and I'm glad I got to meet her. Ann Russell, Erie, Illinois (daughter of Beatta Edwards)*

Ann Russell - July 03, 2020 at 10:53 AM

 Leigh Schultz

“ *My sympayhies to Jeans family such a sweet lady*



Leigh Schultz - July 02, 2020 at 08:22 AM