



Jeanette V. Worthan

October 24, 1921 - February 10, 2022

Jeanette V. Wilson Matthews Worthan, age 100, passed away on February 10, 2022 at Methodist Manor in Storm Lake, IA.

A small celebration of life service for immediate family will be held at the United Methodist Church Witter Chapel, with burial to follow at the Poland Township Cemetery in Marathon. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations to be made to the United Methodist Church in Storm Lake, IA. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of arrangements.

She was born on October 24, 1921 in Clay County at a farm house on the north shore of Pickeral Lake to Bernard W. Wilson and Belva Crisman Wilson.

Jeanette grew up on farms in the Marathon and Laurens area. She graduated from Marathon high school as salutatorian in 1939. After high school she was employed in the Laurens area.

Jeanette met Darrel Matthews in high school and they were married in 1942 in a parsonage in Spencer, Iowa. To this union was born a daughter, Karen Kay Matthews Rosene, in 1945. Darrel began barbering in Marathon, where they lived for 14 years.

In 1962, they took the opportunity to join a barber shop in Napa, California. They enjoyed visits to San Francisco where Jeanette's mother lived. After 7 ½ years they returned to Iowa in 1970 to be closer to family and Darrel opened the Golden Clipper Barber Shop in Storm Lake shortly after their return. They were happily married for 43 years before Darrel passed away in 1985.

Jeanette married Ray L. (Dean) Worthan in 1988. They were married 20 years and enjoyed retirement, family, volunteering and traveling together before Dean passed away in 2008.

Although Jeanette's family received her main attention and love, she also pursued various job opportunities – especially enjoying her work at Berg Jewelers in Storm Lake for 20 years. After leaving her home in 2014, she enjoyed living at Lake Pointe Villa and the Methodist Manor Community. Jeanette was an active member of BPW, UMW, 500 card club, Cosmo club, Garden Club and was a volunteer at the senior center and BVRMC hospital. Jeanette loved working with her flowers, taking care of the butterfly garden at Frank Star park, walking, reading and sewing. Jeanette was extremely happy she was able to enjoy her 100th birthday celebration with the entire family in the fall of 2021. The family will love remembering her when they enjoy some her favorite things; such as playing Rummykub, eating chicken casserole, and walking by the butterfly garden in Storm Lake.

Jeanette was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Darrel, her husband Dean, her brother Hubert Wilson and sister Lois Grice.

Jeanette is survived by her daughter Karen Rosene and husband Gary, grandchildren Kristi Ellis and husband Dave (Grinnell, IA), Wendy Goodchild and husband J.D. (Storm Lake); great grand children Courtney Goodchild (Nikki), Katelyn Goodchild, Molly Ellis, Ben Ellis (Britney), Luke Ellis, Anna Ellis, Sarah Ellis; and great great grandsons Cal Goodchild and Jackson Ellis;

as well as Dean's extended family, other relatives and friends.

Tribute Wall

MH

“ I enjoyed playing rummikub with Jeanette at the Villa. She was always ready to participate in all the activities and have a good time. Karen you have my sympathy.
Marla Hoffman

Marla Hoffman - February 21, 2022 at 08:33 PM

RU

“ Jeanette was a clear, bright and beautiful light in this world. In past years enjoyed visiting her weekly to deliver the books she requested from the library. I will always cherish the memories of our talks.

Ruth - February 21, 2022 at 09:19 AM

CW

“ Chris Willfong lit a candle in memory of Jeanette V. Worthan



Chris willfong - February 16, 2022 at 06:04 PM

JM

“ My thoughts are with the family at this time.

I remember loving to go to Jeanette's house for Halloween as a kid growing up in Marathon as she always had great treats.

Jacquie Marietta - February 16, 2022 at 05:03 PM

FJ

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Fratzke & Jensen - February 16, 2022 at 04:10 PM

TF

“ Jeanette was one of the first persons I met when moving to Storm Lake to go to BV. She was working at Berg Jewelry when I started there part-time. She was 100% always smiling, cheerful and so helpful to all! She taught me how to perfectly wrap tiny boxes and make bows. I treasure the cut glass dish she gave us for our wedding and think of her every time I use it. She will be missed....what a great long life! Cherish the memories of a grand lady.

Tom and Susan Fitzpatrick - February 15, 2022 at 05:58 PM

PG

“ A CANDLE HAS BEEN LIT IN MEMORY OF JEANETTE WORTHAM. MAY SHE NOW RIP. OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS TO GARY & KAREN ROSENE & FAMILY.



JOY, PEACE & LOVE, LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE

PATTY GUNVILLE - February 15, 2022 at 01:09 PM

DP

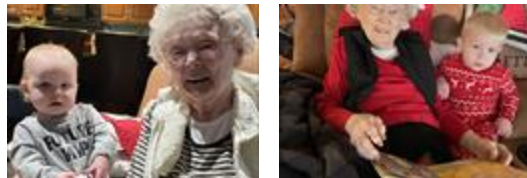
“ We were so very sorry to hear of Jeanette's passing. She was a lovely lady with a great smile and always had kind words. She was such a good friend to my mother while in Lake Pointe Villa. There were many hours spent around the table drinking coffee and solving the worlds problems! She will be missed. Our sympathies to Karen, Gary and family.
Diane and Don Porter



Diane Porter - February 15, 2022 at 11:51 AM

KR

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Karen Rosene - February 14, 2022 at 10:27 PM

TF

“ Jeanette was one of the first persons I met when moving to Storm Lake to go to BV. She was working at Berg Jewelry and I got a part-time job there. She was 100% the most smiling, cheerful and happy person to be around! She taught me how to perfectly wrap very small packages and make bows. I still treasure the cut glass dish she gave us for our wedding and always think of her every time I use it❤️ She will be greatly missed by all. Hugs to the whole Rosene family🥰



Tom and Susan Fitzpatrick - February 14, 2022 at 03:57 PM

KH

“ Jeannette was a wonderful lady and always enjoyed our visits!! She is the one that told me about her glass cleaner 😊
Your family are in my prayers and know she meant a lot to so many people ❤️

Karmen Hodgdon - February 13, 2022 at 05:00 PM

KR

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Karen Rosene - February 13, 2022 at 01:16 PM

TD

Jeanette was such a 'Lady'. So feminine and kind. The best traits ever to be spoken to honor a friend who has left us all behind ...for a better Life. Sending our sympathies to Karen and the Family.

Terry*Larry Davenport - February 13, 2022 at 02:59 PM



“ [Memorial Trees](https://www.fratzkejensen.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Jeanette V. Worthan.

February 12, 2022 at 12:44 AM

MY

“ *Mark/Chris Young lit a candle in memory of Jeanette V. Worthan*



Mark/Chris Young - February 11, 2022 at 08:19 PM

DF

“ *What a great lady she was. We extend our sympathy to Jeanette's family. The Fulchers*

diane fulcher - February 11, 2022 at 06:59 PM