



Joan Laird

February 19, 1922 - January 18, 2018

Joan Laird, age 95, of Orange City, Iowa formerly of Storm Lake, Iowa died Thursday, January 18, 2018 at Prairie Ridge Care Center in Orange City.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, January 27, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. Burial will follow in the Storm Lake Cemetery. Visitation will take place one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Memorials may be designated to the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center and Santa's Castle, PO Box 212, Storm Lake. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Ann Josephine "Joan" Engstrom was born February 19, 1922 in Clarion, Iowa, the daughter of Frederick and Marie (French) Engstrom. After Marie's death, Joan was raised by her uncle and aunt, Edward and Martina Ericksen.

Joan attended school in Clarion, graduating from Clarion High School in 1940.

On July 31, 1944, Joan was united in marriage to Robert Harold Laird in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Together, they were blessed with two sons, Edward and Alan.

While their children were growing up, Joan stayed home and cared for them as well as being an entrepreneur, restoring and renting apartments. After her

sons were grown, Joan was known by many for her time spent as a real estate broker in the Storm Lake area.

Joan was a member of Lakeside Presbyterian Church in Storm Lake, where she served on the Board of National Missions as well as many other committees.

Hobbies of Joan's included stamp collecting, gardening, sewing, knitting and playing bridge. She also loved living on the lake. Most of all, she cherished time spent with family and friends. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Those left to cherish her memory include her son, Dr. Alan Laird and his wife Lisa of Orange City, Iowa; daughter-in-law, Sue Laird of Fort Myers, Florida; grandchildren: Kelley Laird of Fort Myers, Florida, Jay Laird of Longview, Washington; Jordan Laird of Front Royal, Virginia; Matthew Laird of Nashville, Tennessee; Daniel Laird and his wife Rebecca of Roseville, Minnesota; great grandchildren: Gabriel and Connor Deisch of Front Royal, Virginia; as well as extended family and friends.

Joan was preceded in death by her parents; Fred and Marie Engstrom; husband, Robert Laird; son, Edward Laird; brothers, Fred and Ted Engstrom; sister, Ona Marie Engstrom; grandchildren, Jason Laird and Joshua Laird.

Cemetery Details

Storm Lake Cemetery

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 27. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake
1615 W Milwaukee Ave,
Storm Lake, IA 50588
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<https://www.fratzkejensen.com>

Service

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Interment

JAN 27. 2:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RS

“ So Sorry to Hear of Joan's Passing. She Was a Grand Lady and a Dear, Dear, Friend. Thou we Lost Touch in Later Years, I Thought of Her Often. She and Bob Were Very Dear to Me. Now They Are Together Again. Having Worked With Joan and Bob, I Have Many Fond Memories. God Bless. You Are in My Prayers.

Rose Mary Sampers

Rose Mary Sampers - February 02, 2018 at 12:43 PM

JL

“ Judy Liesveld lit a candle in memory of Joan Laird



Judy Liesveld - January 29, 2018 at 10:43 AM

JL

“ Our parents always enjoyed Joan at Lakeside Presbyterian and with farm management activities. We appreciate that you made our dad an honorary pall bearer. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jane Liesveld (Rochester, NY)

Dr. Judy Liesveld (Albuquerque, NM)

Dr. Jill Liesveld (Coralville, Iowa)

Judy Liesveld - January 29, 2018 at 10:42 AM

AL

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers. Your Dad was always gracious and kind and so helpful to my mother.

Alan Laird - February 04, 2018 at 08:16 PM

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Funeral Home - January 25, 2018 at 10:38 AM

PD

“ Joan was such a sweet lady. She was my Girl Scout Brownie leader--about 65 years ago--and had so much patience with all of us. We always enjoyed visiting in later years.

Pat Davidson - January 22, 2018 at 09:20 PM

AL

Thank you Pat. I did not know that my mom was a Brownie leader. Your words are an encouragement to us. Al Laird for the Joan Laird Family

Alan Laird - January 29, 2018 at 12:11 AM

DS

“ We have very fond memories of a dinner at our home with your Mom, Darlene Dubes and Darlene's son. A fun evening with a lot of laughter. To a life well lived.



Dave and Donna Stanton - January 19, 2018 at 10:13 PM

AL

*Dave and Donna,
Thank you. I know my mom enjoyed the company of all those you
speak of. Thank you for taking time to tell us about it. Al Laird for the
Joan Laird Family*

Alan Laird - January 29, 2018 at 12:14 AM