



## Malvena E. Schnetter

April 14, 1932 - November 8, 2020

Malvena E. Schnetter, age 88, of Alta, Iowa died on Sunday, November 8, 2020 at the Trinity Regional Medical Center in Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in ALTA. To watch the live stream of the service, please click the link- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82369080708?pwd=WkNJcXZEEam1ML0NEVmw2ZURyNXI2dz09> and enter the password: funeral. Burial will be in the St. Columbkille Cemetery in rural Fonda. Visitation will take place on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the funeral home in ALTA. Memorials may be given to the Alta Fire Department, 201 E 2nd St, Alta, IA 51002 or to St. Mary's Catholic Church for masses, 320 Seneca St, Storm Lake, IA 50588. Masks are required for guests in attendance at the visitation and service. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Alta is in charge of the arrangements.

Malvena Ellen Schnetter was born on April 14, 1932, southeast of Alta to Frederick John Carl Sievert and Vivian Cripe Roberts.

Malvena attended Fairview Country School Pilot #1 and Aurelia until the 8th grade.

She loved dancing, golfing and bowling, winning many trophies through the

years.

She was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels in Alta for 20 years. She worked as a waitress and bartender at the Pine room in Pocahontas. She then moved to Alta in 1967 and worked at Storm Lake Bakery, Lakeshore, Harbor House and Pantry. She also worked in later years at Duffy's and the Alta country club.

She loved helping out family and having family gatherings. She looked forward to playing cards monthly with sisters and sister in laws. Loved playing many card games.

Most of us know how much she enjoyed smelling nice and always joked about her trips to Bath and Body. She definitely had her own style, wit and humor.

Famous for her homemade potato salad and buns enjoyed by many at picnics and family gatherings.

She learned to crochet and made many afghans for graduation presents for grandchildren.

She was married to Maurice Smith, divorced, and then married Robert Schnetter.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children: John (Lola) Smith of Olathe, Kansas; Robert (Marcia) Smith of Alta, Iowa; Susan (Dennis) Warner of Alta, Iowa; Don Smith of Pocahontas, Iowa; Fred Schnetter of Alta, Iowa; honorary son, Dean McDermott of Anthon, Iowa; 14 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren, and 7 great-great-grandchildren; extended family and friends.

Malvena was preceded in death by her parents; husband; son, Henry Schnetter; brothers: Richard, Lawrence, Charles, Albert, Wilbert; sisters, Ruby

and Elizabeth; and daughter-in-law, Twyla.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Columbkille Catholic Cemetery- Varina

13505 580th St.  
Fonda, IA 50540

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Alta  
301 Alta Vista Street  
Alta, IA 51002  
(712) 284-2141  
jensenfuneralhomes@gmail.com  
<https://www.fratzkejensen.com>

## Funeral Service

NOV 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Malvena E. Schnetter*



**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - November 11, 2020 at 11:35 AM



“ *55 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - November 11, 2020 at 11:35 AM

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“ *American Legion Post 153 purchased the Red, White & Blue Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Malvena E. Schnetter.*



**American Legion Post 153** - November 11, 2020 at 06:32 AM



“ *Multicolor Pastel Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Malvena E. Schnetter.*



November 10, 2020 at 03:21 PM



“ *Phil Stough lit a candle in memory of Malvena E. Schnetter*



**Phil Stough** - November 10, 2020 at 10:50 AM



“ *Pam Henderson lit a candle in memory of Malvena E. Schnetter*



**Pam Henderson** - November 10, 2020 at 08:45 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Malvena E. Schnetter.*



November 10, 2020 at 01:55 AM

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Mel`s family. My the Lord wrap His loving arms around each one of you a nd give you comfort.*  
*Susan and Don Krueger*

Susan Krueger 02/06/1959 - November 09, 2020 at 05:28 PM

NH

“ *Nicki Harrington lit a candle in memory of Malvena E. Schnetter*



Nicki Harrington - November 09, 2020 at 04:20 PM

PD

“ *Mel was such a nice lady! We always had good chats coming out of church and she would catch me up on John and his daughters who were my 1st grade students at Poky. Rest in peace.*

Patricia Davidson - November 09, 2020 at 04:18 PM

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“ *OUR PRAYERS & SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF MALVENA SCHNETTER. MAY SHE RIP. LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE*



PATTY GUNVILLE - November 09, 2020 at 03:58 PM



“ *Tammy Miller lit a candle in memory of Malvena E. Schnetter* ”



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**Tammy Miller** - November 09, 2020 at 02:35 PM