



Martha "Mardie" White

June 2, 1929 - December 21, 2020

Martha "Mardie" White, age 91, of Newell, Iowa died on Monday, December 21, 2020 at the Good Samaritan Society in Newell.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, December 24, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Newell. To watch the recording of the service, please visit Mardie's tribute wall. Burial will be in the Newell Cemetery. Due to inclement weather, the visitation for Wednesday night has been CANCELLED. Visitation will take place one hour prior to the service at the CHURCH. Masks and social distancing are required for guests in attendance. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Newell is in charge of the arrangements.

Martha Emily White, the daughter of Helmuth and Ida (Hild) Boettcher, was born on June 2, 1929 in Storm Lake, Iowa. As an infant, Mardie was baptized at the Zion Lutheran Church in rural Storm Lake. She was later confirmed at the same church.

Growing up, Mardie attended grade school at Zion Lutheran and later attended high school in Newell where she graduated in 1947. After receiving her high school diploma, Mardie went on to work for the Bell Telephone Company.

On February 28, 1949, Mardie was united in marriage to Lyle White at Zion Lutheran Church. The couple was blessed with four children: Steven, Rebecca, Diane, and Jennifer. After she was married, Mardie worked as a full-time farm wife and spent over 30 years as a faithful employee of Newell Good Samaritan Society.

Mardie was active in her community through being a member of the Newell Women's Federated Club, Red Hat Society, and Allee Mansion volunteer. She was also a long-time member of St. Peter Lutheran Church in Newell. Her involvement in the church included holding various offices of the Ladies Aid and Zone LWML President.

In her free time, Mardie enjoyed baking, sewing, and playing cards. She was famous for

her rhubarb pie, brownies, and yardsticks; she never missed an opportunity to share her baked goodies with her family. Mardie was in many card clubs throughout the years and loved to get together with her friends. She also was a dedicated Mustang fan and followed the Newell-Fonda Mustangs by listening to their games on the radio.

Family was important to Mardie and she enjoyed receiving visits from her grandchildren at the nursing home. She also always looked forward to the annual family reunion at Camp Okoboji.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children: Steven White of Storm Lake, Iowa; Rebecca White of Elizabeth, Illinois; Diane (Mike) Overmohle of Storm Lake, Iowa; Jennifer (Tony) Heisterkamp of Akron, Iowa; brother, Lloyd (Nora) Boettcher of Storm Lake, Iowa; sister, Carol (Ed) Maas of New Mexico; grandchildren: Doug (Allison) White, Tamara (Greg) Marsh, Jeremy (Lorena) Holliday, Kristi (Chad) Kerkenbush, Jessica (Brett) Laabs, Joshua (Abbey) Overmohle, Jason (Charissa) Overmohle, Justin (Lynn) Overmohle, Jon (Heidi) Heisterkamp, Emily (Chris) Colt, Katie (Christine) Morgan; 25 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Bonnie Witter of Newell, Iowa; extended family and friends.

Mardie was preceded in death by her husband, Lyle White; parents, Helmuth and Ida Boettcher; sisters, Lorraine Clausen and Ruth Harpstad; brother, Lorenz Boettcher; parents-in-law, Elmer and Stacey White; and numerous brother and sister-in-laws.

Cemetery Details

Newell Cemetery

E. Jensen St.
Newell, IA 50568

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **24**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Peter Lutheran Church -- Newell
314 South Clark
Newell, IA 50568

Funeral Service

DEC **24**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Martha "Mardie" White*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - December 23, 2020 at 11:56 AM

LB

Wonderful tribute and great pictures, thanks , Lloyd

Lloyd and Nora Boettcher - December 23, 2020 at 02:59 PM

MP

“ *Steven, Becky, Diane and Jennifer: We were so very sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She was a special lady, and I always remember her smile. Keeping you all in my prayers.*

Marty and Chuck Petzoldt



Marty Petzoldt - January 05, 2021 at 10:45 AM

IB

“ *The long good-bye has ended. What a journey for her and you, Becky, Steve, Diane and Jennifer and your families supporting her to the end. I will remember her caring spirit, her laugh, her dedication and loyalty to her family and her faithfulness in God in good times and bad. She embodied for me my grandma Boettcher I never knew. There are so many fond memories - 4H demonstrations, making lunch for "the men in the field, " Christmas gatherings and most recently 4th of July celebrations on my Dad's front porch.*

May God grant peace to my dear aunt's memory, comfort to her family and grace to us all as we seek to live our lives to God's glory. Amen.

Iris Boettcher - January 04, 2021 at 11:47 PM

RJ

“ Ronald Jensen lit a candle in memory of Martha "Mardie" White



Ronald Jensen - December 30, 2020 at 11:45 AM

CW

“ Mardie shared being an organist at our church. You could also find helping in the kitchen when she was needed. But she always made anyone feel welcome when you walked into Saint Peters Lutheran. She will be missed. Carla Weitzel-Green

Carla Weitzel-Green - December 24, 2020 at 05:57 PM

KM

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Kaye Mathews - December 24, 2020 at 01:59 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Service



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - December 24, 2020 at 01:39 PM

KM

“ Steve, Becky, Diane, and Jennifer: I'm so sorry for the loss of your dear mom. She was a sweet auntie to me and I'll always treasure my summer visits to the farm. I can still picture Aunt Mardie and my mom (Carol) laughing and catching up in that sunny kitchen. She was a wonderful person and you must miss her in so many ways already. I'm praying for you all especially today. God's peace and comfort - Kaye (Maas) Mathews

Kaye Mathews - December 24, 2020 at 12:45 PM

RM

“ My wife Carol (Mardie's younger sister), and myself want to extend our condolences to the White family and others who are mourning the earthly loss of a loved one. We also want to express our thankfulness to the Lord that Mardie is now with Him for an eternity of peace and joy beyond comprehension. It is a gift God freely offers to all and is received by all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior from sin and Lord of all that exists. It is a blessing that makes celebration possible even in times of difficulty. When we learned of Mardie's death, one of many long term memories and blessings which come to mind and Carol treasures and remains thankful for pertains to her high school years when she would sometimes stay overnight with Lyle and Mardie early in their marriage in their home in Newell which at that time was just a block away from the school. That made Carol's involvement in various and beneficial after school activities possible instead of having to take the bus home right after classes ended or her Dad having to take time off from farm work to come take her home which was about 10 miles away. Soli Deo Gloria!

--- Rev. Edward & Carol Maas, Edgewood NM

Rev. Edward & Carol Maas - December 23, 2020 at 11:17 PM

KH

“ I will always cherish the memories of 1970s summer vacations spent on Nest Lake in Minnesota with Lyle, Mardie, Pat, Charlotte & Jennifer. Learning to fish, camp, ski and drive Lyle's new boat & F-150! Mardie and Lyle were the best Godparents a little trouble maker like me could have wished for. Loved them both very much. ❤️
Kevin Hirsh.

Kevin Hirsh - December 23, 2020 at 04:09 PM

SW

“ What a very special lady. I will miss her so much. My deepest condolences to her family.



Suana Wessendorf - December 23, 2020 at 12:39 PM



“ 108 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - December 23, 2020 at 11:53 AM



“ 2 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - December 23, 2020 at 11:40 AM



“ *Sympathy to the Family of Mardie White! Such a nice lady!*



Eldona & Duane Hornor - December 22, 2020 at 10:55 PM



“ *Mark / Chris Young lit a candle in memory of Martha "Mardie" White*



Mark / Chris Young - December 22, 2020 at 08:14 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Martha "Mardie" White.*



December 22, 2020 at 05:21 PM



“ *Ben/Judy Malcom lit a candle in memory of Martha "Mardie" White*



Ben/Judy Malcom - December 22, 2020 at 03:07 PM



“ *Terra Sheehan-Sievers sent a virtual gift in memory of Martha "Mardie" White*



Terra Sheehan-Sievers - December 22, 2020 at 02:00 PM



“ *Terra Sheehan-Sievers lit a candle in memory of Martha "Mardie" White*



Terra Sheehan-Sievers - December 22, 2020 at 02:00 PM



“ *Jan Sievers lit a candle in memory of Martha "Mardie" White*



Jan Sievers - December 22, 2020 at 01:36 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Martha "Mardie" White.*



December 22, 2020 at 01:25 PM



“ *Aunt Mardie was very special. When I married Darold, she was gracious and welcoming. I enjoyed our visits. There was always a bit of fun and laughter. My heart and prayers are with the family. May you feel God's comforting, healing grace.*

Pastor Karen Berg Currier - December 22, 2020 at 12:08 PM



“ *Mardie was one of the beautiful people that I met thru LWML. So kind and gentle and loving. Sympathy and prayers to all her family. And now she is home with her loving Savior.*

Sharon Maass - December 22, 2020 at 08:46 AM