



## Melva Winkel

April 17, 1937 - February 26, 2025

Melva Winkel, age 87, of Alta, Iowa died February 26, 2025 at Accura Healthcare in Ames.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Alta. Burial will be in the St. John Lutheran Cemetery in rural Hanover, Iowa. Visitation will be held Monday, March 3, 2025 from 6-8:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in ALTA. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Alta is in charge of the arrangements.

Melva was born in Alta, Iowa on April 17, 1937 to Mabel and Milton Hustedt. Melva grew up on a farm outside of Alta, where she cared for many animals. She graduated from Alta High School in 1956. During her high school years, Melva worked at Constables, where she took pleasure in caring for the store's pet monkey. It was also during this time that she met the love of her life, Rollen Winkel. They became high school sweethearts and married in 1962.

Melva had a strong love for the outdoors, particularly for gardening and nurturing her flowers. She also enjoyed shopping at Sugar Bowl and Hoffman's in Storm Lake. Melva was an animal lover; she had a special fondness for the Pomeranians she owned over the years and took delight in decorating her home with animal-themed items. Melva cherished her grandkids and great grandkids, always looking forward to spending time with them and watching them grow. Her lively spirit and thoughtfulness towards others will be deeply missed.

Melva was preceded in death by her parents, Mabel and Milton Hustedt.

She is survived by Rollen Winkel (husband), Brenda and Bob Wilson (daughter and son-in-law), Danielle and Mike Yearian (granddaughter and spouse), Brandon and Amanda Wilson (grandson and spouse), Westyn and Raelynn Wilson (great grandkids), Milo and Pat Hustedt (brother and spouse), and Milt and Sheryl Hustedt (brother and spouse).



# Cemetery Details

## St. John Lutheran Cemetery

Hanover, IA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 3.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Alta  
301 Alta Vista Street  
Alta, IA 51002  
(712) 284-2141  
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## Funeral Service

**MAR 4.** 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church -- Alta  
405 Division Street  
Alta, IA 51002

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Melva Winkel*



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**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - March 03, 2025 at 12:01 PM

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